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The one hundred and twentieth General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts convened at the State House in Boston on the first Wednesday in January, being the fourth day thereof, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and twenty-third. And the members-elect of the House of Representatives, having assembled in the Representatives' Chamber, were called to order at five minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. by Rev. George E. Fisher of Amherst, the eldest senior member-elect present.

By request of the presiding officer, prayer was offered by the Rev. Charles P. Mills of Newburyport, a member-elect.

On motion of Mr. Howland of Chelsea, —

Ordered, That a committee of eight be appointed to inform the Secretary of the Commonwealth that the House has been called to order.

Secretary informed that the House has been called to order.

Messrs. Howland of Chelsea, Crouch of Northampton, Brown of North Adams, Folsom of Springfield, Harwood of Littleton, Dyer of Gardner, Morse of Belchertown and Carey of Haverhill were appointed the committee.

Thereupon the Secretary transmitted to the House a list of all persons returned as representatives, with the original certificates of their election, which had been returned to his office.

On motion of Mr. Leland of Templeton, —

Ordered, That the Clerk call the roll of the House to ascertain if a quorum be present.

Roll call.

The roll was called; and two hundred and twenty-six members having answered to their names, the Chair declared a quorum present.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lowell, —

Ordered, That a committee of eight be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor and inform him that a quorum of the House is assembled, and that the members are ready to be qualified.

Governor notified that quorum of the House is present.

Messrs. Hayes of Lowell, Dalton of Salem, Lomasney of Boston, Tolman of Pittsfield, Cook of Milford, White of Somerville, Burrington of Franklin and Swift of Tisbury were appointed the committee.

Qualification
of members.

Soon afterwards His Excellency the Governor, with the Council and the Secretary of the Commonwealth, came in, and the oaths and affirmations required by the Constitution and the laws were administered by His Excellency to the members present, and subscribed by them; after which His Excellency the Governor, the Council and the Secretary withdrew.

Speaker
elected.

On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, —
Ordered, That a committee of eight be appointed to receive, sort and count the votes for Speaker.

Messrs. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, Odlin of Andover, Stanley of Newburyport, Edward J. Donovan of Boston, Judd of Holyoke, Learoyd of Danvers, Driscoll of Chicopee and Severance of Shelburne were appointed the committee.

Mr. McCarthy, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows: —

Whole number of votes,	.	.	.	.	.	.	221
Necessary for a choice,	.	.	.	.	.	.	111
John L. Bates of Boston had	.	.	.	.	.	.	221

And Mr. Bates having been elected, declaration was made accordingly, and the Speaker was conducted to the chair by a committee consisting of Messrs. Myers of Cambridge and Stone of Springfield, and spoke as follows: —

FELLOW REPRESENTATIVES: I thank you most sincerely. My appreciation of this honor was always great, and has increased with the knowledge gained in attempting to discharge the duties of this position. The honor carries with it always corresponding responsibilities, sometimes arduous duties, often perplexing problems. The responsibilities I willingly assume, and enter hopefully upon the endeavor to discharge the duties and solve the problems pertaining to the position, relying upon your constant support and generous judgment.

I congratulate you that we enter upon the work of the session under such favorable conditions. The cloud of war has rolled away from our country. It presents to the world the picture of a people energetic, united, progressive, about to enter upon a career of great prosperity with

boundless possibilities before them. There is a feeling of buoyancy in the atmosphere; a something that stimulates mind and hand to greater activities. At such times perhaps more than any other is there the necessity of urging wise and conservative consideration of all matters brought before you.

Through the action of previous legislatures great public improvements have been entered upon. With liberal hand, parks and boulevards, water supply and drainage have been provided for the more populous sections of the Commonwealth, and in such a manner as to occasion but little criticism. Yet the expense of these undertakings has been so large as to cause serious men to question as to whether or not the limit compatible with safety and a wise economy has not been reached. I urge a most careful scrutiny of all measures involving an expenditure of money, whether the expense is to ultimately fall on the whole Commonwealth or only a section thereof.

I find on looking over the records that my predecessors have almost without exception, upon assuming the duties of this office, called the attention of the members to the existence of a public demand for a short legislative session. The people of the Commonwealth recognize in their Legislature a protection and shield that is dearer to them than anything else in their form of government. It is the safeguard of their liberties. Nevertheless, the constant attempt to change the laws when the Legislature is in session produces a feeling of unrest and uncertainty which cannot be overlooked, and which in itself is a sufficient reason why we should attend to the important matters coming before us with as much expedition as possible.

We recognize that the growth of modern enterprise is, notwithstanding the passage of general laws, producing an increasing amount of business each succeeding year, and that sessions must therefore inevitably increase in length unless we make some improvement over the methods of our predecessors.

I may be pardoned right here for the suggestion that much of the time lost at the beginning of the session, because neither the committees nor the members have anything ready for their consideration, could be very profitably employed on the reports and recommendations of the various departments, commissions and boards, if such reports were seasonably presented, instead of being delayed, as they often are, until the session is far advanced.

Action upon this suggestion would not only save the time of the General Court, but would ensure much more thorough examination of the reports themselves.

The time for the admission of new business under the rules undoubtedly to be adopted will expire the last day of January. Many of the public will delay presenting their petitions until the last moment, and many others will desire a suspension of the rule, that their matters may be received after the limit has expired. I recommend that when you close the door on January 31st, you open it not again, except for the strongest reasons. I recognize that many towns do not hold their annual meetings until spring, and at those meetings frequently adopt measures necessitating legislation. In a majority of even those cases a reference to the next General Court, as required by the rule, would probably prevent hasty legislation and do no harm to the interests of the town.

The usefulness of a representative to his constituency, or the Commonwealth, is not to be gauged by the number of bills that he introduces. But few of the amendments that will be proposed to our statutes will have real merit in them. Where such merit cannot be detected, it is the part of a wise legislator to put aside considerations of friendliness for the author of the measure and vote for its rejection. One cannot excuse himself for voting for a statute simply because it will do no harm, when he can see no good likely to result from it. The people of this State desire fewer laws rather than more. They desire permanency in the form of their statutes. They do not want changes for the sake of change, nor do they appreciate the action of a Legislature in repealing an act that has received the commendation of its predecessor before sufficient time has elapsed for the act to have had a fair trial.

I believe the session is prolonged by the discharge of matters in the calendar and their postponement to special days. I would not have you fail in courtesy toward your fellow members, yet there are but few occasions when such requests should be granted. That which may be claimed to be a courtesy to one may often, if granted, be, in fact, a discourtesy to many. I would impress upon each that his private business or engagements should not interfere with the discharge of his public duties here. If matters were invariably disposed of when reached in the calendar, much time that is now lost would be saved and the attendance of the members would be certainly much

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better. When the matters in which members are interested are likely to be reached at any time, their attendance is assured.

I believe committees can shorten the session materially if, as soon as a matter is referred to them, they will meet and assign it for a hearing in the immediate future. They should meet every day so long as they have matters for hearing, and ten o'clock is not too early an hour for a committee that is acting on business principles. I know that Senators, and sometimes Representatives, serve on more than one committee of importance, but they should not expect either committee to delay action for their accommodation. Complaints from the public reached me last session that certain important committees found difficulty in obtaining a quorum. This was not because members were engaged on other committees, but because attending to private business.

Kindly, but as forcibly as possible, I desire to urge upon all committees, but particularly those to whom few matters are referred, the importance of making reports early in the session. A committee with little work before it has not acted with commendable promptitude if it fails to report upon those matters until such time as the reports from the more busy committees have crowded the calendar. After a matter has been advertised for a hearing the committee should not grant a postponement, except under extraordinary circumstances.

Pardon me for delaying you with so many suggestions. If there is an evil, let us remedy it. Talking of the remedy will not avail. Action and not words is called for.

There has been one who, under the designation of Clerk of the Committee on Rules, has rendered service of the greatest value to the House of Representatives for a period extending over the last eight years. Most of the acts passed by the General Court during that period have been drafted by him. Very few have been placed before the House for a final reading without having been subjected to his careful scrutiny. His patient, quiet, systematic and thorough work is revealed to all who examine our statutes. Knowing that Mr. Ashton R. Willard, to whom I refer, is about to enter upon new work, which forbids his continuing further to serve the Legislature, I cannot let this opportunity pass without a reference to his faithful, efficient service. And I know I voice the feeling of

this assembly in wishing him every success in his **newly** chosen field of endeavor.

Business of great importance will come before us in **the** coming weeks. Let us approach it all with the **single** purpose of discovering and enacting that which is for **the** public welfare, and in so doing, we will merit the **ap-**proval of our constituencies and have within us the **con-**sciousness that we have helped to keep our State **where** she has been for more than a century, in the front rank, a leader among commonwealths.

On motion of Mr. Saunders of Boston, —

Clerk elected.

Ordered, That a committee of eight be appointed to receive, sort and count the votes for Clerk.

Messrs. Saunders of Boston, Harwood of Lynn, Keith of Cambridge, McLoughlin of Worcester, Bullock of New Bedford, Battles of Brockton, Dean of Brookline and Andrews of Nantucket were appointed the committee.

Mr. Saunders, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows : —

Whole number of votes,	.	.	.	.	.	.	222
Necessary for a choice,	.	.	.	.	.	.	112
James W. Kimball of Lynn had	.	.	.	.	.	.	222

And Mr. Kimball, having been elected, was conducted to the Council Chamber by a committee consisting of Messrs. Reed of Taunton and Estes of Brockton, and having been qualified by taking the oaths required, report was made to the House accordingly, and the Clerk entered upon the discharge of his duties.

Notice of the organization of the Senate.

A message was received from the Senate, by a committee thereof, announcing that that branch had been organized by the election of George E. Smith of Everett as President and Henry D. Coolidge of Concord as Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Whipple of Brockton, —

Senate notified of organization of the House.

Ordered, That a committee of eight be appointed to inform the Senate that the House has been organized by the election of a Speaker and a Clerk.

Messrs. Whipple of Brockton, Drake of Canton, Dooling of Holyoke, Adams of Barre, Wood of Woburn, Libby of Medford, Clerke of Boston and Cullinane of Lawrence were appointed the committee.

Mr. Whipple, from the committee, afterwards reported that they had attended to that duty.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Saugus, —

Ordered, That a committee of eight be appointed to inform His Excellency the Governor and the Executive Council that the House has been organized by the election of a Speaker and a Clerk.

Governor and Council notified of organization of the House.

Messrs. Bennett of Saugus, Willard of Chelsea, Grant of Boston, Chandler of Somerville, Dumond of Boston, Johnson of Worcester, Miller of Southwick and Adams of Melrose were appointed the committee.

Mr. Bennett, from the committee, afterwards reported that they had attended to that duty.

Messrs. Jones of Fall River and Stone of Sharon, members-elect, being present and ready to be qualified, Messrs. Selfridge of Boston and Bridgeo of Marblehead were appointed a committee to conduct them to the Council Chamber to be qualified; and they having been qualified, report was made to the House accordingly.

Members qualified.

A message was received from the Senate announcing that John G. B. Adams of Lynn had been elected Sergeant-at-Arms on the part of that branch.

Election of Sergeant-at-Arms on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Chapple of Salem, —

Ordered, That a committee of eight be appointed to receive, sort and count the votes for Sergeant-at-Arms.

Sergeant-at-Arms elected.

Messrs. Chapple of Salem, Ross of Boston, Huntress of Somerville, Montgomery of Cambridge, Kyle of Plymouth, Williams of Foxborough, Davis of Cambridge and Turtle of Pittsfield were appointed the committee.

Mr. Chapple, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows : —

Whole number of votes,	.	.	.	.	.	.	191
Necessary for a choice,	.	.	.	.	.	.	96
John G. B. Adams of Lynn had	.	.	.	.	.	.	186
Marshall Thompson of Boston had	.	.	.	.	.	.	3
William H. Marden of Stoneham had	.	.	.	.	.	.	2

And Mr. Adams was declared elected on the part of the House.

Messrs. Paton of Leominster and Seavey of Lynn were appointed a committee to inform the Senate of the election of John G. B. Adams of Lynn as Sergeant-at-Arms on the part of the House.

Senate notified of election of Sergeant-at-Arms.

Election of Chaplain.

Election of
Chaplain.

Mr. Mills of Newburyport moved that the Rev. **Daniel W. Waldron** of Boston be elected Chaplain of the **House** by acclamation. The motion prevailed, and Mr. **Waldron** was unanimously elected, and declaration was made accordingly.

Orders.

Special
committee on
Rules.

On motion of Mr. Myers of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That a special committee on Rules, to consist of nine members, be appointed, of which the **Speaker** shall be chairman; and that this committee be authorized to report from time to time rules for the government of the House and measures for expediting its business.

The Speaker announced the following-named members as the committee: the Speaker and Messrs. Myers of Cambridge, Stone of Springfield, Hayes of Lowell, Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, Mellen of Worcester, Whipple of Brockton, Howland of Chelsea and Saunders of Boston.

Rules of the
House.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the rules of the House of Representatives of 1898 be adopted as the rules of the present House until otherwise ordered.

Daily papers
for use of the
House.

On motion of Mr. Bleiler of Boston, —

Ordered, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be directed to procure, for the use of the members of the House, two copies of each of the daily papers published in the cities of Boston, Worcester and Springfield, and one copy of each of the other daily papers published within the Commonwealth.

Printing of the
Journal.

On motion of Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, —

Ordered, That the Clerk be authorized to begin the printing of the Journal of the House; that one thousand copies of the same be printed; and that an attested copy thereof be deposited with the Secretary of the Commonwealth as the Journal of the House.

Chaplain in-
formed of his
election.

On motion of Mr. Litchfield of Middleborough, —

Ordered, That the Clerk be directed to inform the Rev. Daniel W. Waldron that he has been elected Chaplain of the House of Representatives for the current year.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Amesbury, —

Ordered, That when the House adjourns to-day it be to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

Hour of
meeting.

Papers from the Senate.

A communication from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, transmitting the returns of votes cast at an election held in this Commonwealth on the eighth day of November, 1898, for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Councillors, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor of Accounts, Attorney-General and Senators, together with schedules showing the number of ballots which appear to have been cast for each person voted for, was read and placed on file.

Returns of votes
for State
officers, Coun-
cillors and
Senators.

The following orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

Ordered, That the returns of votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor of Accounts and Attorney-General be referred to a joint special committee, to consist of three members of the Senate and such as the House may join.

Returns of votes
for Governor
and other State
officers.

Messrs. Dallinger, Harrington and Leach having been appointed by the Senate, Messrs. Newton of Everett, Miller of Boston, Sands of Boston, Burgess of Fitchburg, Weston of Hyde Park, Crosby of Attleborough, Lockhart of Fall River and Hancock of Brockton were joined on the part of the House.

Ordered, That the returns of votes for Councillors in the several Councillor districts of the Commonwealth be referred to a joint special committee, to consist of three members of the Senate and such as the House may join.

Returns of
votes for
Councillors.

Messrs. Woodsum, Luscombe and Sargent having been appointed by the Senate, Messrs. Grimes of Reading, Ramsdell of Lynn, Wells of Peabody, Stewart of Boston, Favor of Gloucester, Munroe of Worcester, Russell of Boston and Davenport of Greenfield were joined on the part of the House.

Ordered, That a joint special committee, to consist of the President and four members of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches.

Joint special
committee on
preparation of
rules.

The President and Messrs. Williams, Putnam, Washburn and Kenefick having been appointed by the Senate, the Speaker and Messrs. Myers of Cambridge, Stone of Springfield, Hayes of Lowell, Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, Mellen of Worcester, Whipple of Brockton, Howland of Chelsea and Saunders of Boston were joined on the part of the House.

Joint rules.

Ordered, That the joint rules of the two branches of last year be observed until others are adopted.

Sergeant-at-Arms notified of his election.

Ordered, That the clerks of the two branches give notice to John G. B. Adams of Lynn that he has been elected, by the two branches of the General Court, Sergeant-at-Arms for the current political year.

Assistant Clerk Appointed.

Assistant clerk.

A communication was received from the Clerk announcing that he had appointed Frank E. Bridgman of Boston assistant clerk of the House of Representatives for the year 1899, under authority of section 26 of chapter 2 of the Public Statutes.

Death of a Member-elect Announced.

Thirteenth Suffolk Representative District, — death of a member-elect and precept for an election.

Mr. Bresnahan of Boston announced the death of James T. Mahony, Jr., Representative-elect from the Thirteenth Suffolk Representative District, and offered the following order, which was adopted: —

Ordered, That the Speaker issue a precept giving notice that a vacancy exists in the Thirteenth Suffolk Representative District, and appointing a time for an election to fill said vacancy.

On motion of Mr. Ross of Boston, at twenty-eight minutes before two o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 5, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M.

Rev. Daniel W. Waldron of Boston, having accepted the office of Chaplain, appeared, and prayer was offered by him.

On motion of Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with. Reading of the Journal dispensed with.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, —

Ordered, That hereafter the reading of the Journal be dispensed with until otherwise ordered.

Papers from the Senate.

The report of the joint special committee on the returns of votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor and other State officers, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Bennett of Saugus, as follows: — Returns of votes for Governor and other State officers.

For Governor.

ROGER WOLCOTT of Boston has . . .	191,146 votes.
ALEXANDER B. BRUCE of Lawrence has . . .	107,960 “
GEORGE R. PEARE of Lynn has . . .	10,063 “
SAMUEL B. SHAPLEIGH of Boston has . . .	4,734 “
WINFIELD P. PORTER of Newburyport has . . .	3,749 “
All others, . . .	83 “

And ROGER WOLCOTT is elected.

For Lieutenant-Governor.

W. MURRAY CRANE of Dalton has . . .	183,683 votes.
EDWARD J. SLATTERY of Framingham has . . .	106,197 “
MICHAEL T. BERRY of Haverhill has . . .	12,170 “
ISAAC W. SKINNER of Brockton has . . .	5,899 “
JOHN L. KILBON of Lee has . . .	5,582 “
All others, . . .	29 “

And W. MURRAY CRANE is elected.

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For Secretary of the Commonwealth.

WILLIAM M. OLIN of Boston has . . .	179,663	votes.
HENRY LLOYD of Boston has . . .	99,505	“
JAMES F. STEVENS of Boston has . . .	11,831	“
CHARLES H. BRADLEY of Haverhill has . . .	9,285	“
HENRY A. INMAN of Newton has . . .	5,458	“
All others,	12	“

And WILLIAM M. OLIN is elected.

For Treasurer and Receiver-General.

EDWARD P. SHAW of Newburyport has . . .	177,538	votes.
HARRY J. JAQUITH of Wellesley has . . .	100,125	“
MARTHA MOORE AVERY of Boston has . . .	12,640	“
CHARLES W. WHITE of Winchester has . . .	6,102	“
HERBERT MORLEY SMALL of Templeton has	5,251	“
All others,	11	“

And EDWARD P. SHAW is elected.

For Auditor of Accounts.

JOHN W. KIMBALL of Fitchburg has . . .	176,420	votes.
CHARLES F. PARKER of Boston has . . .	101,140	“
JOHN PALME of New Bedford has . . .	11,510	“
CHARLES S. GRIEVES of Amesbury has . . .	6,823	“
WALTER E. SANFORD of Attleborough has	5,280	“
All others,	12	“

And JOHN W. KIMBALL is elected.

For Attorney-General.

HOSEA M. KNOWLTON of New Bedford has	184,302	votes.
PATRICK KILROY of Springfield has . . .	107,962	“
CLARENCE E. SPELMAN of Westfield has . . .	12,659	“
All others,	17	“

And HOSEA M. KNOWLTON is elected.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence :—

Governor and
Lieutenant-
Governor notifi-
ed of their
election.

Ordered, That a committee be appointed, to be joined, to inform His Excellency Roger Wolcott that he has been elected, in the manner prescribed by the Constitution,

Governor of the Commonwealth for the current political year, and that the Legislature will be ready to attend upon him in taking and subscribing the oaths required by the Constitution and a law of the United States to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the office, at such hour as may suit his convenience; also to inform His Honor W. Murray Crane that he has been duly elected Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth for the current political year, and that the Legislature will attend upon him in taking and subscribing the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the office, when agreeable to him.

Messrs. Chamberlain, Sargent and Donovan having been appointed by the Senate, Messrs. Myers of Cambridge, Fitzgerald of Boston, Haskins of Rockport, Mel-
len of Worcester, King of Boston, Cole of Beverly, Hawes of Weymouth and Simmons of Grafton were joined on the part of the House.

Mr. Myers, from the committee, afterwards reported that the committee had waited upon the Governor-elect and Lieutenant-Governor-elect, and that they had signified their acceptance of their respective offices, and their readiness to be qualified at the earliest convenience of the two branches.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence:—

Ordered, That a convention of the two Houses be held forthwith, for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to the Governor-elect and the Lieutenant-Governor-elect. Joint convention.

Joint Convention.

The Senate then came in, its President took the chair, and, the two branches being in convention, a committee, consisting of Messrs. Dallinger, Whittlesey and Keliher, of the Senate, and Messrs. Stone of Springfield, Apsey of Cambridge, Watson of Lowell, Donovan of Taunton, Trow of Salem, Coolidge of Cambridge, Powers of Malden and Jones of Fall River, of the House, was appointed to wait upon the Governor-elect and Lieutenant-Governor-elect and inform them that the two Houses are now in joint convention, and are ready to attend to the administration of the oaths of office.

Mr. Dallinger, from the committee, afterwards reported that the Governor-elect and Lieutenant-Governor-elect would immediately attend upon the convention.

The Governor-elect and Lieutenant-Governor-elect then came in, accompanied by various civil and military officers of the Commonwealth.

Governor and
Lieutenant-
Governor
qualified.

The oaths and affirmations of office were then, in the presence of the two Houses, and before the President of the Senate, administered to and subscribed by the Hon. Roger Wolcott as Governor, and the Hon. W. Murray Crane as Lieutenant-Governor, and proclamation thereof was made by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Governor's
address.

His Excellency then delivered an address to the Senators and Representatives (Senate, No. 1), after which the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor withdrew, the convention was dissolved, and the Senate returned to the Senate Chamber.

Papers from the Senate.

Returns of
votes for
Councillors.

The report of the joint special committee on the returns of votes for Councillors, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Newton of Everett. It appeared from said report that the following-named gentlemen were elected in their respective districts, to wit: —

- District No. 1. Nathaniel F. Ryder of Middleborough.
 2. William W. Davis of Boston.
 3. George N. Swallow of Boston.
 4. Charles I. Quirk of Boston.
 5. Horace H. Atherton of Saugus.
 6. S. Herbert Howe of Marlborough.
 7. Martin V. B. Jefferson of Worcester.
 8. Parley A. Russell of Great Barrington.

Councillors
notified of their
election.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence: —

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to Messrs. Nathaniel F. Ryder, William W. Davis, George N. Swallow, Charles I. Quirk, Horace H. Atherton, S. Herbert Howe, Martin V. B. Jefferson and Parley A. Russell that they have been duly elected Councillors to advise the Governor in the executive part of the government for the current political year.

A communication was subsequently received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth announcing that the several Councillors-elect had signified their acceptance of the office, and were ready to be qualified.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Ordered, That a convention of the two Houses be held forthwith, for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to the several Councillors-elect. Joint convention.

Joint Convention.

The Senate then came in, its President took the chair, *id.* and, the two branches being in convention, a committee, consisting of Messrs. Parsons, Reynolds and Baldwin, of the Senate, and Messrs. Marden of Stoneham, Campbell of Westfield, Sisson of Lynn, Mills of Newburyport, Carleton of Haverhill, Harlow of Whitman, Balcom of Marlborough and Reed of Taunton, of the House, was appointed to wait upon the Councillors-elect and inform them that the two Houses are now in joint convention for the purpose of administering the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them for office.

Soon afterwards Councillors-elect Messrs. Nathaniel F. Ryder, William W. Davis, George N. Swallow, Charles I. Quirk, Horace H. Atherton, S. Herbert Howe, Martin V. B. Jefferson and Parley A. Russell came in, and in the presence of the two Houses, and before the President of the Senate, the oaths were taken and subscribed by them, and declaration was made accordingly. Councillors qualified.

The Councillors then withdrew, the convention was dissolved, and the Senate returned to the Senate Chamber.

Paper from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Ordered, That the clerks of the two branches give notice to the Hon. William M. Olin of Boston that he has been elected Secretary of the Commonwealth; to the Hon. Edward P. Shaw of Newburyport that he has been elected Treasurer and Receiver-General; to the Hon. John W. Kimball of Fitchburg that he has been elected Auditor of Accounts; and to the Hon. Hosea M. Knowlton of New Bedford that he has been elected Attorney-General, — severally, to hold office for one year from the third Wednesday in January instant. Clerks of the Senate and House directed to notify Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor and Attorney-General of their election.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Saugus, —

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to His Excellency the Governor that Messrs. Secretary directed to notify Governor of election and

qualification of
Councillors.

Nathaniel F. Ryder, William W. Davis, George N. Swallow, Charles I. Quirk, Horace H. Atherton, S. Herbert Howe, Martin V. B. Jefferson and Parley A. Russell have been duly elected and qualified as Councillors, to advise him in the executive part of the government for the current political year.

Disposition of
Governor's
address.

On motion of Mr. Whipple of Brockton, —

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Rules consider what disposition should be made of the several portions of the Governor's address.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Adjournment
until Monday, —
hour of meeting.

On motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, —

Ordered, That when the House adjourns to-day it be to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P.M., and *that* hereafter that be the hour of meeting until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, at twenty-two minutes past two o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, January 9, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Paper from the Senate.

A report of the joint special committee appointed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers of Cambridge, as follows:—

That Joint Rule No. 1 of the rules of the two branches for the year 1898 be amended so as to read as follows:—

“1. Joint standing committees shall be appointed at Joint rules. the beginning of the political year as follows:—

- A committee on Agriculture;
- A committee on Banks and Banking;
- A committee on Constitutional Amendments;
- A committee on Counties;
- A committee on Drainage;
- A committee on Education;
- A committee on Election Laws;
- A committee on Federal Relations;
- A committee on Fisheries and Game;
- A committee on Harbors and Public Lands;
- A committee on Insurance;
- A committee on Labor;
- A committee on Libraries;
- A committee on the Liquor Law;
- A committee on Military Affairs;
- A committee on Parishes and Religious Societies;
- A committee on Printing;
- A committee on Prisons;
- A committee on Probate and Insolvency;
- A committee on Public Charitable Institutions;
- A committee on Public Health;
- A committee on Public Service;
- A committee on Roads and Bridges;
- A committee on State House;
- A committee on Towns;

A committee on Water Supply ;

Each to consist of three members on the part of **the** Senate, and eight on the part of the House ;

A committee on Cities ;

A committee on Manufactures ;

A committee on Mercantile Affairs ;

A committee on Metropolitan Affairs ;

A committee on Railroads ;

A committee on Street Railways ;

A committee on Taxation ;

Each to consist of four members on the part of the **Sen-**ate, and eleven on the part of the House.

Matters referred by either the Senate or the House to its committee on the Judiciary, on Ways and Means, or on Rules, shall be considered by the respective committees of the two branches, acting as joint committees, when, in the judgment of the chairmen of the respective committees of the two branches, the interests of legislation or the expedition of business will be better served by such joint consideration. Matters may also be referred respectively to the committees on the Judiciary, on Ways and Means, and on Rules, of the two branches, as joint committees.

The committees on Rules, together with the presiding officers of the two branches, acting as a joint committee, may consider and suggest such measures as shall, in their judgment, tend to facilitate the business of the session."

That the joint rules of the year 1898 be further amended as follows : —

In rule twelve, by adding at the end thereof the following words : "*provided, however*, that, except by unanimous consent, it shall not be suspended with reference to a petition for legislation when such petition is not accompanied by a bill or a resolve embodying the legislation requested."

By striking out rule thirteen.

By striking out rule twenty-nine.

By re-numbering all the rules after rule twelve.

By adding the following rule : " 29. Any joint rule except the twelfth may be altered, suspended, or rescinded by a concurrent vote of two-thirds of the members of each branch present and voting thereon."

That, with the exception of the above changes, the joint rules of the year 1898 be adopted as the joint rules of the two branches of the General Court during the present session.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

The Speaker appointed the standing committees of the House as follows : —

House Standing Committees.

Judiciary. — Messrs. Myers of Cambridge, Stone of Springfield, Howland of Chelsea, Johnson of Worcester, Selfridge of Boston, Carrier of Methuen, Turtle of Pittsfield, Brigham of Marlborough, Davenport of Greenfield, Feiker of Northampton and Minton of Boston. House standing committees.

Ways and Means. — Messrs. Carleton of Haverhill, Paton of Leominster, Mellen of Worcester, Bennett of Saugus, Burgess of Fitchburg, Folsom of Springfield, Cole of Beverly, Adams of Melrose, Watson of Lowell, Simmons of Grafton and McIsaac of Boston.

Rules. — The Speaker and Messrs. Myers of Cambridge, Stone of Springfield, Hayes of Lowell, Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, Mellen of Worcester, Whipple of Brockton, Howland of Chelsea and Saunders of Boston.

Elections. — Messrs. Dalton of Salem, Adams of Barre, Andrews of Boston, Mackey of Boston, Neal of Dedham, Lanergan of Boston and ——— ———.

Bills in the Third Reading. — Messrs. Apsey of Cambridge, Douglass of Boston and Selfridge of Boston.

Engrossed Bills. — Messrs. Wood of Woburn, Cole of Beverly and James H. Donovan of Boston.

Pay-Roll. — Messrs. Seavey of Lynn, Bullock of New Bedford and Favor of Gloucester.

The joint standing committees were appointed as follows : —

Joint Standing Committees.

Agriculture. — Messrs. Patch of Middlesex, McClellan of Worcester and Bailey of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Bennett of Saugus, Adams of Barre, Chandler of Somerville, Morse of Belchertown, Ellsworth of Worcester, Shaw of Raynham, Severance of Shelburne and Corey of Sturbridge, *of the House*. Joint standing committees.

Banks and Banking. — Messrs. Reynolds of **Essex**, Williams of Norfolk and Parsons of Franklin and **Hampshire**, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Paton of Leominster, **Harvell** of Rockland, Kells of Boston, Cook of Milford, Crosby of Arlington, Whelan of Weymouth, **Dudley** of Sutton and Henderson of Rowley, *of the House*.

Cities. — Messrs. Chamberlain of Plymouth, Whittlesey of Berkshire, Sanderson of Middlesex and **Essex** and Donovan of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Hayes of Lowell, Sands of Boston, Puffer of Springfield, Kane of Boston, Hunt of Worcester, Foster of Boston, Chadwick of Newton, Donovan of Taunton, Spooner of Chelsea, Ainsworth of Fall River and Brown of North Adams, *of the House*.

Constitutional Amendments. — Messrs. Dallinger of Middlesex, Attwill of Essex and Luscombe of the Cape, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Johnson of Worcester, Chapple of Salem, McLoughlin of Worcester, Haywood of Lynn, Huntress of Somerville, Michael J. Donovan of Boston, Stalker of Boston and ——— ———, *of the House*.

Counties. — Messrs. Maxwell of Suffolk, Dallinger of Middlesex and Leach of Bristol, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Wentworth of Cohasset, Davis of Cambridge, Francis of New Bedford, Mackey of Boston, Carey of Haverhill, Mansfield of Lowell, Neal of Dedham and Bugbee of Monson, *of the House*.

Drainage. — Messrs. Attwill of Essex, McClellan of Worcester and Feneno of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Powers of Malden, Balcom of Marlborough, Dyer of Gardner, Willard of Chelsea, Drake of Canton, Wentworth of Cohasset, Queeney of Boston and ——— ———, *of the House*.

Education. — Messrs. Parsons of Franklin and Hampshire, Chamberlain of Plymouth and Keliher of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Leland of Templeton, Fisher of Amherst, Burrington of Franklin, Judd of Holyoke, Harwood of Littleton, Smith of Dover, Dillon of Holyoke and Lowe of New Bedford, *of the House*.

Election Laws. — Messrs. Innes of Suffolk, George of Essex and Kenefick of Hampden, *of the Senate*; Messrs.

Saunders of Boston, Newton of Everett, Dooling of Holyoke, Bresnahan of Boston, Skinner of Watertown, James H. Donovan of Boston, Howard of Fall River and Sprague of Quincy, *of the House*.

Federal Relations. — Messrs. Fairbank of Worcester, Post of Berkshire and Hampshire and Tague of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Hawes of Weymouth, Swift of Tisbury, Estes of Brockton, Drake of Canton, Conroy of Boston, Murphy of Lawrence, Salter of Lynn and Flanagan of Boston, *of the House*.

Fisheries and Game. — Messrs. Luscombe of the Cape, Joy of Middlesex and Baldwin of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Mills of Newburyport, Bridgeo of Marblehead, Swift of Tisbury, Battles of Brockton, Andrews of Nantucket, Howland of Dartmouth, Conwell of Provincetown and Bushnell of Sheffield, *of the House*.

Harbors and Public Lands. — Messrs. Witt of Suffolk, Post of Berkshire and Hampshire and Luscombe of the Cape, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Francis of New Bedford, Jones of Fall River, Farwell of Boston, Crosby of Barnstable, Hooper of Manchester, Nickerson of Harwich, Lombard of Springfield and Miller of Southwick, *of the House*.

Insurance. — Messrs. Whittlesey of Berkshire, Moran of Bristol and Reynolds of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Andrews of Boston, Dalton of Salem, Tatman of Worcester, Whall of Boston, Apsey of Cambridge, Boylston of Princeton, Luce of Somerville and Toomey of Boston, *of the House*.

Labor. — Messrs. McClellan of Worcester, Moran of Bristol and Gleason of Worcester, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Ross of New Bedford, Donahue of Fall River, Bartlett of Oxford, Cullinane of Lawrence, Cook of Milford, Driscoll of Chicopee, Burgess of Fitchburg and ———, *of the House*.

Libraries. — Messrs. Harwood of Middlesex, Innes of Suffolk and Keliber of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Harlow of Whitman, Ross of New Bedford, Morse of Belchertown, Flanagan of Boston, Leland of Templeton, Murphy of Lawrence, Hancock of Brockton and ———, *of the House*.

Liquor Law. — Messrs. Harrington of Worcester, Patch of Middlesex and Feneno of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Estes of Brockton, Bleiler of Boston, Dumond of Boston, Odlin of Andover, Minihan of Cambridge, Mills of Newburyport, Litchfield of Lunenburg and Gaddis of Boston, *of the House*.

Manufactures. — Messrs. Putnam of Middlesex, Woodsum of Norfolk, Lott of Suffolk and Harrington of Worcester, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Huntress of Somerville, Hawes of Weymouth, Harwood of Lynn, Marden of Stoneham, Montgomery of Cambridge, Dumond of Boston, Turner of Malden, Morrison of Fall River, Smith of Waltham, Cluer of Lowell and Green of Boston, *of the House*.

Mercantile Affairs. — Messrs. Bailey of Essex, Whittlesey of Berkshire, Reynolds of Essex and Baldwin of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Kyle of Plymouth, Willard of Chelsea, Battles of Brockton, Odlin of Andover, Clerke of Boston, Grant of Boston, Learoyd of Danvers, King of Boston, Miller of Boston, Porter of Lynn and Briggs of Taunton, *of the House*.

Metropolitan Affairs. — Messrs. Dallinger of Middlesex, Hodgkins of Middlesex, Maxwell of Suffolk and Tague of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. White of Somerville, Stewart of Boston, Keith of Cambridge, Fitzgerald of Boston, Schofield of Malden, Russell of Boston, Ramsdell of Lynn, Lomasney of Boston, Dean of Brookline, Sullivan of Boston and Weston of Hyde Park, *of the House*.

Military Affairs. — Messrs. Bouvé of Plymouth, Sargent of Essex and Hodgkins of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Marden of Stoneham, Campbell of Westfield, Harlow of Whitman, Hagberg of Worcester, Quigley of Chelmsford, Robinson of Springfield, Goulding of Duxbury and Moore of West Stockbridge, *of the House*.

Parishes and Religious Societies. — Messrs. Harwood of Middlesex, Sanderson of Middlesex and Essex and Baldwin of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Davis of Amesbury, Fisher of Amherst, Litchfield of Middleborough, Ramsdell of Lynn, Dyer of Gardner, Burrington of Franklin, Lanergan of Boston and ——— ———, *of the House*.

Printing. — Messrs. Post of Berkshire and Hampshire, Putnam of Middlesex and Donovan of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Sisson of Lynn, Wells of Peabody, Brooks of Orange, Daly of Lawrence, Bleiler of Boston, Toland of Boston, Balcom of Marlborough and Powers of Malden, *of the House*.

Prisons. — Messrs. Sargent of Essex, Soule of Bristol and Patch of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Libby of Medford, Wood of Woburn, Donahue of Fall River, Fitts of Somerville, Parker of Boston, Sparks of Dracut, Newton of Royalston and Twomey of Boston, *of the House*.

Probate and Insolvency. — Messrs. Bouvé of Plymouth, Innes of Suffolk and Maxwell of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Chapple of Salem, Libby of Medford, McLoughlin of Worcester, Haywood of Lynn, Grimes of Reading, Douglass of Boston, Tatman of Worcester, and ———, *of the House*.

Public Charitable Institutions. — Messrs. Sanderson of Middlesex and Essex, Leach of Bristol and Gleason of Worcester, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Whipple of Brockton, Chandler of Somerville, Coolidge of Cambridge, Sisson of Lynn, Crouch of Northampton, Leslie of Waltham, Hopewell of Fall River and Love of Webster, *of the House*.

Public Health. — Messrs. Lott of Suffolk, Witt of Suffolk and Harrington of Worcester, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Bullock of New Bedford, Harriman of Northbridge, Turner of Malden, Jeremiah F. McCarthy of Boston, Wheeler of Boston, Chase of Westborough, King of Holbrook and Harvie of North Adams, *of the House*.

Public Service. — Messrs. Putnam of Middlesex, George of Essex and Woodsum of Norfolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Wells of Peabody, Stanley of Newburyport, Whall of Boston, Scates of Haverhill, Lowe of New Bedford, Salter of Lynn, Hancock of Brockton and Sheppard of Quincy, *of the House*.

Railroads. — Messrs. Soule of Bristol, Harwood of Middlesex, Fairbank of Worcester and Joy of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, Reed of Taunton, Trow of Salem, Stalker of Boston, Haskins of Rockport, Skillings of Boston, Edward J.

Donovan of Boston, Tolman of Pittsfield, Ross of Boston, Mead of Everett and Blood of Fitchburg, *of the House*.

Roads and Bridges. — Messrs. Gleason of Worcester, Bailey of Essex and Donovan of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Grimes of Reading, Davis of Amesbury, Stanley of Newburyport, Dean of Cheshire, Frost of Lawrence, Rounseville of Rochester, Miller of Pepperell and Marchant of Gloucester, *of the House*.

State House. — Messrs. Whittlesey of Berkshire, Soule of Bristol and Feneno of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Skillings of Boston, Cullinane of Lawrence, Harwood of Lynn, Kells of Boston, Root of Boston, Campbell of Westfield, Dooling of Holyoke, and Brooks of Orange, *of the House*.

Street Railways. — Messrs. Hodgkins of Middlesex, Bailey of Essex, Chamberlain of Plymouth and Tyner of Hampden, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Ames of Lowell, Lockhart of Fall River, Davis of Cambridge, Seavey of Lynn, Munroe of Worcester, Gilpatric of Boston, Keyou of Medford, Persons of Maynard, Mahoney of Boston, Stone of Sharon and Wallace of Clinton, *of the House*.

Taxation. — Messrs. Washburn of Worcester, Innes of Suffolk, Sargent of Middlesex and Keliher of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Newton of Everett, Dean of Wakefield, Luce of Somerville, Root of Boston, Litchfield of Lunenburg, Gartland of Boston, Sullivan of Natick, Prindle of Williamstown, Kavenaugh of Montague, Heath of Northborough and ——— ———, *of the House*.

Towns. — Messrs. Leach of Bristol, Bouvé of Plymouth and Fairbank of Worcester, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Crosby of Attleborough, Litchfield of Middleborough, Eddy of West Bridgewater, Horton of Rehoboth, Brown of Weston, Pike of Groveland, Smith of New Marlborough and Marchesseault of Spencer, *of the House*.

Water Supply. — Messrs. Woodsum of Norfolk, Fairbank of Worcester and Tyner of Hampden, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Williams of Foxborough, Favor of Gloucester, Langford of Newton, Dewey of Westfield, Varney of Lowell, Ray of Ashland, Twombly of Framingham and Upson of Easthampton, *of the House*.

Monitors of the House.

First Division.—Messrs. Dean of Wakefield and ^{Monitors.} Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston.

Second Division.—Messrs. Fitzgerald of Boston and Hayes of Lowell.

Third Division.—Messrs. Kyle of Plymouth and Montgomery of Cambridge.

Fourth Division.—Messrs. Mellen of Worcester and Paton of Leominster.

Drawing of Seats.

Under the rule, the House proceeded at once to the drawing of seats. ^{Drawing of seats.} Messrs. Myers of Cambridge, Wood of Woburn and Apsey of Cambridge were appointed a committee to supervise the same.

On motion of Mr. Newton of Everett, Mr. Haskins of Rockport was allowed to select seat No. 85 before the drawing commenced.

On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, Mr. Stewart of Boston was allowed to select seat No. 43 before the drawing commenced.

On motion of Mr. Adams of Barre, Mr. Campbell of Westfield was allowed to select seat No. 44 before the drawing commenced.

On motion of Mr. Marden of Stoneham, Mr. Balcom of Marlborough was allowed to select seat No. 23 before the drawing commenced.

On motion of Mr. Seavey of Lynn, Mr. Crouch of Northampton was allowed to select seat No. 19 before the drawing commenced.

On motion of Mr. Hawes of Weymouth, Mr. Stanley of Newburyport was allowed to select seat No. 48 before the drawing commenced.

On motion of Mr. Ross of Boston, Mr. Twombly of Framingham was allowed to select seat No. 28 before the drawing commenced.

On motion of Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, Mr. Shaw of Raynham was allowed to select seat No. 21 before the drawing commenced.

On motion of Mr. Estes of Brockton, Mr. Persons of Maynard was allowed to select seat No. 24 before the drawing commenced.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Springfield, Mr. Harwood of Littleton was allowed to select seat No. 5 before the drawing commenced.

Orders.

Bulletin of
committee
hearings.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on Rules be authorized to cause to be prepared a bulletin of committee hearings and matters before committees.

Sent up for concurrence.

Clerical assistance for committees on Rules and Bills in the Third Reading.

On motion of Mr. Myers of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Rules be authorized to employ clerical assistance, and that the clerk and stenographer so employed be required to assist members of the House in the preparation of bills and resolves, and to perform such clerical services as may be required by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Committee on Ways and Means, — appropriation bills; clerical assistance.

On motion of Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, —

Ordered, That the committee on Ways and Means have authority to report from time to time such appropriation bills as the exigencies of the public service may require, and to employ such clerical assistance as may be necessary.

On motion of Mr. Bullock of New Bedford, at fourteen minutes past three o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 10, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

The consideration of the following order, offered by Mr. Carey of Haverhill, was postponed until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Stone of Springfield : —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor be instructed to proceed immediately to the city of Marlborough and investigate the present labor difficulties in said city. Said committee shall report the result of its investigation to the present General Court as soon as possible, and may submit such recommendations as it may deem advisable.

Committee on Labor, —
Investigation of labor difficulties in the city of Marlborough.

Annual Reports, etc.

The annual report of the Massachusetts State Board of Agriculture on the work of exterminating the gypsy moth (House, No. 200) was received, and was referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Massachusetts State Board of Agriculture, —
gypsy moth.

The annual report of the State Pension Agent (House, No. 34) was received, and was referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

State Pension Agent.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A statement of estimates calling for appropriations for the several departments of the public service for the year 1899 (House, No. 1), received from the Auditor of Accounts, was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Auditor of Accounts, —
estimates for appropriations.

The following annual reports, etc., received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, were severally referred : —

Recommendations and suggestions of the Controller of County Accounts (House, No. 33). To the committee on Counties.

Controller of County Accounts.

Twenty-ninth annual report of the State Board of Health (Pub. Doc. No. 34) :

State Board of Health :

- Sewerage.** So much thereof as relates to sewerage and **sewage** disposal, to the committee on Drainage ;
- Water supply.** So much thereof as relates to the general subject of water supply, to the committee on Water Supply ; and
The residue thereof, to the committee on Public Health.
- Massachusetts Nautical Training School.** Annual report of the commissioners of the **Massachusetts Nautical Training School** (Pub. Doc. No. 42). To the committee on Education.
- Inland Fisheries and Game.** Annual report of the Commissioners on **Inland Fisheries and Game** (Pub. Doc. No. 25). To the committee on Fisheries and Game.
- Massachusetts District Police :** Annual report of the Chief of the **Massachusetts District Police** (Pub. Doc. No. 32) :
- Fish and game laws.** So much thereof as relates to the enforcement of the fish and game laws, to the committee on Fisheries and Game ;
- Labor.** So much thereof as relates to the employment of labor, to the committee on Labor ;
- Forfeited liquors.** So much thereof as relates to the disposition of forfeited liquors, to the committee on the **Liquor Law** ;
- Steam boilers, engineers and firemen.** So much thereof as relates to steam boilers, engineers and firemen, to the committee on **Mercantile Affairs** ; and
- Ventilation and sanitary measures.** So much thereof as relates to ventilation and sanitary measures, to the committee on **Public Health**.
- Registration report :** **Fifty-sixth annual registration report** (Pub. Doc. No. 1) :
- Divorce.** So much thereof as relates to libels for divorce, to the joint committee on the **Judiciary** ; and
- Births, marriages and deaths ; medical examiners.** So much thereof as relates to births, marriages and deaths and to the returns of medical examiners, to the committee on **Public Health**.
- Board of Police for the City of Boston.** **Fourteenth annual report of the Board of Police for the City of Boston** (Pub. Doc. No. 49). To the committee on **Metropolitan Affairs**.
- Massachusetts State Prison.** Annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the **Massachusetts State Prison** (Pub. Doc. No. 13).
- Massachusetts Reformatory.** **Fourteenth annual report of the Massachusetts Reformatory** (Pub. Doc. No. 13).
- Reformatory Prison for Women.** **Twenty-first annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women** (Pub. Doc. No. 13).
Severally to the committee on Prisons.

- Fourth annual report of the trustees of the Lyman and Industrial Schools (Pub. Doc. No. 18). Lyman and Industrial Schools.
- Twenty-first annual report of the trustees of the Danvers Lunatic Hospital (Pub. Doc. No. 20). Danvers Lunatic Hospital.
- Forty-third annual report of the trustees of the Northampton Lunatic Hospital (Pub. Doc. No. 21). Northampton Lunatic Hospital.
- Forty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital (Pub. Doc. No. 22). Taunton Lunatic Hospital.
- Sixty-sixth annual report of the trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital and twenty-first annual report of the trustees of the Worcester Insane Asylum at Worcester (Pub. Doc. No. 23). Worcester Lunatic Hospital.
- Forty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the State Farm (Pub. Doc. No. 24). State Farm.
- Forty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the State Almshouse (Pub. Doc. No. 26). State Almshouse.
- Sixty-seventh annual report of the trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind (Pub. Doc. No. 27). Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind.
- Fifty-first annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded (Pub. Doc. No. 28). Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded.
- Fourteenth annual report of the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital (Pub. Doc. No. 30). Westborough Insane Hospital.
- Seventh annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates (Pub. Doc. No. 47). Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates.
- Third annual report of the Medfield Insane Asylum (Pub. Doc. No. 59). Medfield Insane Asylum.
- Second annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients (Pub. Doc. No. 61). Consumptives and Tubercular Patients.
- First report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics (Pub. Doc. No. 62). Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics.
- Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.
- Thirteenth annual report of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy (Pub. Doc. No. 39). To the committee on Public Health. Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy.
- Severally sent up for concurrence.
- Aggregates of polls, property, taxes, etc., as assessed May 1, 1898 (Pub. Doc. No. 19). To the committee on Ways and Means. Polls, property, taxes, etc., — aggregates.

Introduced on Leave.

The following bills, introduced on leave, were severally read and referred : —

Real estate, —
attachments.

By Mr. Dean of Brookline, a Bill relative to **attach-**ments of real estate. (House, No. 17.) To the **joint** committee on the Judiciary.

Deceased per-
sons, — insol-
vent estates.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, a Bill relative to **insolvent** estates of deceased persons. (House, No. 15.) To the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Bureau of
Statistics of
Labor, — ex-
penditures.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, a Bill relative to **expen-**ditures for the clerical and contingent expenses of **the** Bureau of Statistics of Labor. (House, No. 16.) To the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

Hampden Sav-
ings Bank.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, petition (with accom-panying bill, House, No. 29) of the Hampden Savings Bank for such amendment of its charter as will allow it to change the location of its banking house. To the commit-tee on Banks and Banking.

County of Berk-
shire, — indebt-
edness.

By Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, petition (with accompany-ing bill, House, No. 28) of W. C. Dalzell and others for legislation to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Berkshire to borrow money for the purpose of paying a portion of the indebtedness of said county.

County of Mid-
dlesex, — truant
school.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 27) of J. W. Bennett and others for legislation to provide additional land and buildings for the truant school of the county of Middlesex at Chelms-ford.

Severally to the committee on Counties.

Equitable proc-
ess after judg-
ment.

By Mr. Learoyd of Danvers, petition (with accom-panying bill, House, No. 32) of Walter P. Weston for legislation to amend chapter 549 of the Acts of the year 1898 entitled "An Act to provide an equitable process after judgment in certain cases." To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 31) of Charles R. Saunders for legislation to repeal an act relative to the sewerage works of the city of Boston. To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

City of Boston,
— sewerage
works.

By Mr. Blood of Fitchburg, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 30) of the justice and the clerk of the police court of Fitchburg that their salaries may be increased. To the committee on Public Service.

Police court of
Fitchburg, —
salaries.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 18) of the Massachusetts Anti-Double Taxation League and others for legislation to exempt from taxation in the Commonwealth personal property situated and taxed without the Commonwealth and shares of certain corporations organized under the laws of other States. To the committee on Taxation.

Taxation, —
exemption of
certain personal
property.

By Mr. Brown of Weston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 19) of a committee of the inhabitants of the town of Wayland for legislation to authorize said town to refund a portion of its indebtedness. To the committee on Towns.

Town of
Wayland, —
indebtedness.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

The following petitions, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, having been deposited in his office as required by law, were severally referred: —

Petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 20) of J. A. Brown and others for legislation to require the city of Boston to rebuild the Malden bridge over the Mystic River in said city. To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

City of Boston,
— Malden
bridge.

Petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 21) of George W. Chipman and others for legislation to authorize the replacing of street railway tracks on Tremont street between Boylston street and Scollay Square and on Boylston street between Tremont street and Park Square in the city of Boston, and the running of street railway cars thereon.

City of Boston,
— street railway
tracks.

Petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 22) of James Means and others for legislation to incorporate the Massachusetts Electric Freight Company.

Massachusetts
Electric Freight
Company.

Petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 23) of Thomas T. Robinson for legislation to authorize the West

West Roxbury
and Roslindale
Street Railway
Company.

Roxbury and Roslindale Street Railway Company to **act** as a common carrier of merchandise.

Norfolk Central
Street Railway
Company.

Petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 24) **of** Thomas T. Robinson for legislation to authorize the **Nor-**folk Central Street Railway Company to act as a **common** carrier of merchandise.

Needham and
Boston Street
Railway
Company.

Petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 25) **of** C. Atherton Hicks and others for legislation to authorize the Needham and Boston Street Railway Company **to** operate its railway over private property.

Plymouth and
Sandwich
Street Railway
Company.

Petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 26) **of** the Plymouth and Sandwich Street Railway Company **for** an amendment of its charter.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Reports of a Committee.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the compensation and travel of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of the officers thereof and for expenses in connection therewith. (House, No. 5.)

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the State Board of Health. (House, No. 6.)

Id.

By Mr. Paton of Leominster, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the executive department of the Commonwealth. (House, No. 8.)

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the salary and expenses of the State Pension Agent. (House, No. 9.)

Id.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General. (House, No. 3.)

Id.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth. (House, No. 7.)

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on ^{Appropriation} an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making bill. appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the Insurance Commissioner. (House, No. 10.)

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the same committee, ^{Id.} on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the Controller of County Accounts. (House, No. 11.)

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the same committee, ^{Id.} on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the erection of new buildings at the Worcester Lunatic Hospital. (House, No. 12.)

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the same committee, ^{Id.} on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the payment of certain expenses in connection with the protection of the purity of inland waters. (House, No. 4.)

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on ^{Id.} an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation. (House, No. 2.)

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, from the same committee, ^{Id.} on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the Commissioners of Prisons, and for sundry reformatory expenses. (House, No. 13.)

By Mr. McIsaac of Boston, from the same committee, ^{Id.} on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the Bureau of Statistics of Labor. (House, No. 14.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, at eighteen minutes past two o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 11, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Favor of Gloucester, —

House of Representatives, —
pay-roll of
travelling
expenses.

Ordered, That the committee on Pay-Roll make up the pay-roll for travelling expenses of the present House of Representatives, the travel to be computed according to the table of distances established by an order of the House of Representatives adopted June 1, 1892.

On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, —

Election of a
United States
Senator.

Ordered, That the hour of half-past two o'clock P.M. on Tuesday, January 17, be assigned as the time for the election of a United States Senator on the part of the House.

Committee on
Labor, —
investigation of
labor difficulties
in the city of
Marlborough.

The order instructing the committee on Labor to proceed immediately to the city of Marlborough and investigate the present labor difficulties in said city, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, was considered.

After debate Mr. Hayes of Lowell moved that the order be laid on the table. On this question the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Donahue of Fall River, and the roll being called the order was laid on the table, by a vote of 134 yeas to 78 nays, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.
Adams, Charles H.
Andrews, David B.
Apsey, Albert S.
Bartlett, Edwin
Bennett, Frank P.
Bleiler, John
Boylston, Ward N.
Briggs, Clarence A.
Brooks, Charles C.
Brown, Henry L.

Messrs. Burgess, Albert H.
Burrington, Lester L.
Bushnell, S. Hopkins
Campbell, Andrew
Carleton, George H.
Chadwick, N. Henry
Chandler, Leonard B.
Chapple, William D.
Chase, Henry L.
Clerke, Charles S.
Cluer, Arthur H.

Messrs. Cole, Samuel

Conwell, Robert E.
Cook, Clifford A.
Coolidge, Daniel S.
Corey, Charles V.
Crosby, Aaron S.
Crosby, Alfred R.
Crosby, J. Howell
Dalton, J. Frank
Davis, Daniel W.
Dean, Benjamin C.
Dean, George Z.
Drake, Frederic P.
Dudley, George J.
Dyer, George N.
Eddy, Curtis
Ellsworth, J. Lewis
Estes, Eugene B.
Farwell, Frederick W.
Favor, John
Feiker, William H.
Fisher, George E.
Fitts, Frank E.
Foster, Frank A.
Francis, Frank W.
Gilpatric, Fred C.
Goulding, Albert M.
Grimes, James W.
Hagberg, John G.
Harlow, Franklin P.
Harvell, Elisha T.
Harvie, Robert B.
Harwood, George F.
Harwood, Herbert J.
Haskins, Leander M.
Hawes, Martin E.
Hayes, William H. I.
Haywood, Charles E.
Heath, Guilford P.
Hooper, Franklin K.
Hopewell, William
Horton, Henry T.
Howland, Charles W.
Howland, Willard
Hunt, James
Huntress, Franklin E.
Johnson, Charles R.
Judd, William E.
Keith, Charles P.
Kyle, William S.

Messrs. Learoyd, Addison P.

Leland, Francis
Leslie, George F.
Libby, John F.
Litchfield, William C.
Marchant, Charles S.
Marden, William H.
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
Mead, Edward C.
Miller, Calvin S.
Miller, Charles H.
Mills, Charles P.
Moore, James S.
Morse, Merrick A.
Myers, James J.
Newton, H. Huestis
Newton, Phinehas S.
Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.
Odlin, William
Parker, William C.
Paton, Alexander S.
Powers, John A.
Puffer, Herbert C.
Ramsdell, Charles H.
Robinson, Lewis D.
Root, Albert B.
Ross, Leonard W.
Rounseville, Albert
Sands, Edward P.
Selfridge, George S.
Severance, Joseph C.
Shaw, Nathan, W.
Sheppard, Eben W.
Simmons, Arthur A.
Sisson, Robert S.
Skillings, William E.
Skinner, Henry R.
Smith, Charles F. A.
Smith, Charles G.
Spooner, Wallace
Sprague, Eugene H.
Stanley, Benjamin F.
Stewart, Joseph I.
Stone, Silas A.
Stone, Willmore B.
Swift, William S.
Tatman, Charles T.
Tolman, William
Trow, Charles E.
Turner, Henry E.

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE,

Messrs. Turtle, William
 Upson, Charles H.
 Varney, George E.
 Watson, Walter S.
 Wentworth, Edward E.
 Weston, Walter S.

Messrs. Wheeler, William D.
 Whipple, John J.
 White, Horace C.
 Willard, Edward E.
 Williams, George F.
 Wood, Alva S.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ainsworth, Wilfred
 Andrews, Richard F., Jr.
 Balcom, George
 Battles, David W.
 Blood, Charles H.
 Bresnahan, Hugh W.
 Brigham, William M.
 Brown, Willard M.
 Bullock, William J.
 Carey, James F.
 Crouch, Charles S.
 Cullinane, Richard
 Currier, Guy W.
 Daly, William
 Davenport, William A.
 Davis, William R.
 Dean, Charles A.
 Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
 Dillon, Thomas J.
 Donahue, Thomas
 Donovan, Edward J.
 Donovan, Eugene E.
 Donovan, James H.
 Donovan, Michael J.
 Dooling, Thomas J.
 Douglass, John J.
 Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d.
 Flanagan, John J.
 Frost, Archie N.
 Gaddis, Michael E.
 Gartland, John J., Jr.
 Grant, Oliver S.
 Green, Thomas H.
 Hancock, Portus B.
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Henderson, Francis D.
 Howard, Robert
 Kane, Daniel J.
 Kavanaugh, John E.

Messrs. Kells, William, Jr.
 King, Charles F.
 King, Randolph V.
 Lanergan, John P.
 Lockhart, Alexander
 Lomasney, Martin M.
 Love, Joseph P.
 Luce, Robert
 Mackey, Thomas
 Mahoney, David A.
 Mansfield, Matthew M.
 Marchesseault, Eugene D.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
 McIsaac, Daniel V.
 McLoughlin, William J.
 Mellen, James H.
 Minihan, Cornelius
 Minton, John M.
 Montgomery, James A.
 Morrison, Andrew H.
 Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
 Neal, David
 Pike, William T.
 Porter, Thomas F.
 Prindle, John F.
 Queeney, James H.
 Quigley, William J.
 Ray, Albert H.
 Reed, Silas D.
 Ross, Samuel
 Salter, William R.
 Scates, Louis M.
 Sparks, John T.
 Sullivan, Michael J.
 Sullivan, Timothy F.
 Toomey, John J.
 Twombly, Horatio F.
 Twomey, Edmund J.
 Whelan, John B.

134 yeas ; 78 nays.

Annual Report, etc.

The annual report of the Board of Police for the City of Fall River (Pub. Doc. No. 58), received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was referred to the committee on Cities. Board of Police for the City of Fall River.

The recommendations and suggestions of the trustees of the Lyman and Industrial Schools (House, No. 35), received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, were referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. Lyman and Industrial Schools.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

The following bills and resolve, introduced on leave, were severally read and referred:—

By Mr. Ross of New Bedford, a Bill relative to the employment of women and minors in mercantile establishments. (House, No. 40.) To the committee on Labor. Labor,—women and minors.

By Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, a Bill relative to the care of the State Library. (House, No. 41.) To the committee on Libraries. State Library.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, a Bill relative to the amount of money to be advanced to the disbursing officer of the State Board of Insanity. (House, No. 42.) To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. State Board of Insanity.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, a Resolve relative to the publication of the bulletin of committee hearings. (House, No. 43.) To the committee on Ways and Means. Bulletin of committee hearings.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred:—

By Mr. Johnson of Worcester, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 37) of Calvin Claffin and others for legislation to provide for a system of sewerage and sewage disposal in the town of Southbridge. To the committee on Drainage. Town of Southbridge,—sewerage.

By Mr. Estes of Brockton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 39) of Emery M. Low and others for legislation to provide for the establishment of dispensaries Intoxicating liquors,—dispensaries.

for the sale of alcohol and intoxicating liquors in **no-**license cities and towns. To the committee on the **Liquor** Law.

Second Evan-
gelical Society
in Lancaster.

By Mr. Wallace of Clinton, petition (with accompany-
bill, House, No. 36) of T. F. Richardson and others **for**
legislation to change the name of the Second Evangelical
Society in Lancaster and for confirmation of certain **acts**.
To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

City of Boston,
— Brighton
municipal
court.

By Mr. Ross of Boston, petition (with accompanying
bill, House, No. 38) of Henry P. Kennedy, clerk of **the**
municipal court of the Brighton district of the city **of**
Boston, for an increase of salary. To the committee **on**
Public Service.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

City of Melrose.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, petition of Sydney H. But-
trick and others, a committee of the town of Melrose, for
legislation to incorporate the city of Melrose. The same
gentleman moved that the 9th joint rule be suspended,
which motion was referred, under the rule, to the com-
mittee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence :—

Committee
on Public
Charitable
Institutions,—
travel.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable
Institutions be authorized to travel within the limits of
the Commonwealth, and to Hartford, Connecticut, in the
discharge of its duties.

Message from
the Governor,—
pardons.

A message from His Excellency the Governor, trans-
mitting a list of pardons granted by the Governor and
Council during the year 1898, was referred, in concur-
rence, to the committee on Prisons.

The following petitions were severally referred, in con-
currence :—

County of
Middlesex,—
house of
correction.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 5) of the
county commissioners of the county of Middlesex for an
additional appropriation for completing the house of cor-
rection for said county. To the committee on Counties.

Police court of
Brockton,—
salary of
justice.

Petition of Warren A. Reed and others that the salary
of the justice of the police court of Brockton may be in-
creased. To the committee on Public Service.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, the purchase of paper and publishing laws. (House, No. 44.)

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Gas and Electric Light Commissioners. (House, No. 45.)

By Mr. Paton of Leominster, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the removal of wrecks from tide-waters. (House, No. 46.)

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Tax Commissioner. (House, No. 47.)

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind. (House, No. 48.)

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Commissioners of Savings Banks. (House, No. 49.)

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the judicial department of the Commonwealth. (House, No. 50.)

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the Worcester Polytechnic Institute. (House, No. 51.)

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the salary and expenses of the Commissioner of Public Records. (House, No. 52.)

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Commissioners of the Massachusetts Nautical Training School. (House, No. 53.)

Appropriation
bill.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for certain improvements at the State Almshouse. (House, No. 54.)

Id.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the State Library. (House, No. 55.)

Id.

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Secretary of the Commonwealth. (House, No. 56.)

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Attorney-General of the Commonwealth. (House, No. 57.)

Id.

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Civil Service Commissioners. (House, No. 58.)

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for current expenses at the Medfield Insane Asylum. (House, No. 59.)

Id.

By Mr. McIsaac of Boston, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Railroad Commissioners. (House, No. 60.)

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for sundry miscellaneous expenses authorized by law. (House, No. 61.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

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Bills :

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation (House, No. 2) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General (House, No. 3) ;

Making an appropriation for the payment of certain expenses in connection with the protection of the purity of inland waters (House, No. 4) ;

Making appropriations for the compensation and travel of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of the officers thereof and for expenses in connection therewith (House, No. 5) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the State Board of Health (House, No. 6) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth (House, No. 7) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the executive department of the Commonwealth (House, No. 8) ;

Making appropriations for the salary and expenses of the State Pension Agent (House, No. 9) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the Insurance Commissioner (House, No. 10) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the Controller of County Accounts (House, No. 11) ;

Making an appropriation for the erection of new buildings at the Worcester Lunatic Hospital (House, No. 12) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the Commissioners of Prisons, and for sundry reformatory expenses (House, No. 13) ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the Bureau of Statistics of Labor (House, No. 14) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Stewart of Boston, at three o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 12, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Members Qualified.

Members
qualified.

Messrs. Ames of Lowell, Lowe of New Bedford, Smith of Dover, Stalker of Boston and Whall of Boston, members-elect, being present and ready to be qualified, Messrs. Whipple of Brockton and Crouch of Northampton were appointed a committee to conduct them to the council chamber to be qualified; and they having been qualified, report was made to the House accordingly.

Order.

Committee on
Labor, — travel.

On motion of Mr. Ross of New Bedford, —
Ordered, That the committee on Labor be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of its duties.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolutions Presented.

United States
and kingdom
of Spain.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, Resolutions relative to the treaty of peace between the United States and the kingdom of Spain. (House, No. 81.)

Id.

By Mr. Mills of Newburyport, Resolutions relative to the treaty of peace between the United States and the kingdom of Spain. (House, No. 82.)

Brigham H.
Roberts.

By Mr. Murphy of Lawrence, Resolutions relative to the admission of Brigham H. Roberts of Utah to a seat in the fifty-sixth Congress of the United States. (House, No. 83.)

Severally read and referred to the committee on Federal Relations and sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

The following bills, introduced on leave, were severally read and referred: —

Labor, — eight-
hour day.

By Mr. Driscoll of Chicopee, a Bill to constitute eight

hours a day's work for city and town employees. (House, No. 68.) To the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Donahue of Fall River, a Bill relative to the rights of owners of real estate in the matter of granting liquor licenses. (House, No. 66.) To the committee on the Liquor Law. Intoxicating liquors, — rights of real estate owners.

By Mr. Trow of Salem, a Bill to extend the time for the filing of applications for bounties to Massachusetts soldiers. (House, No. 67.) To the committee on Military Affairs. Soldiers, — applications for bounties.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Brown of Weston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 63) of the selectmen of the town of Weston and others for legislation to authorize the county commissioners of Middlesex County to establish and lay out a highway connection between Riverside Road in Weston and Charles street in the city of Newton. To the committee on Counties. County of Middlesex, — highway from Weston to Newton.

By Mr. Donahue of Fall River, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 62) of Nathan Durfee and others for legislation relative to the time of payment of certain negotiable instruments. To the joint committee on the Judiciary. Negotiable instruments, — payment.

By Mr. Andrews of Nantucket, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 64) of Frank M. Forbush and others for legislation to prohibit the manufacture and sale of spirituous or intoxicating liquor as a beverage. To the committee on the Liquor Law. Intoxicating liquors, — manufacture and sale.

By Mr. Wood of Woburn, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 65) of Samuel W. Abbott, secretary of the State Board of Health, for an increase of salary. To the committee on Public Service. State Board of Health, — salary of secretary.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

On motion of Mr. Clerke of Boston, the petition of George H. Moore and others for legislation to provide for the appointment of a board of license commissioners for Intoxicating liquors, — license commissioners for Boston.

the city of Boston and to define its powers and duties, was taken from the files of last year, and (with accompanying bill, House, No. 80) was referred to the committee on the Liquor Law and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

Committee on Prisons, — travel.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of its duties.

Treasurer and Receiver-General, — examination of securities.

Ordered, That the joint committee on Ways and Means examine into the condition of the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, and report upon the same.

Firemen's relief associations.

A petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 6) of John B. Gordon and others that firemen's relief associations and similar associations be not limited as to the amount of funds to be held for the purposes of their organization, and that they may accept and hold gifts, legacies or other contributions therefor, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Insurance.

Reports of a Committee.

Bulletin of committee hearings.

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) relative to the publication of the bulletin of committee hearings (House, No. 43) ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Myers of Cambridge, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the salary and expenses of the General Superintendent of Prisons. (House, No. 69.)

Id.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. (House, No. 70.)

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the payment of premiums on securities purchased for the Massachusetts School Fund. (House, No. 71.) ^{Appropriation bill.}

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the compensation and expenses of the Ballot Law Commissioners. (House, No. 72.)

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded. (House, No. 73.)

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the payment of annuities to soldiers and others. (House, No. 74.)

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the salary of the Assayer and Inspector of Liquors. (House, No. 75.)

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association. (House, No. 76.)

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the Massachusetts School Fund. (House, No. 77.)

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Reformatory Prison for Women. (House, No. 78.)

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the inspectors of gas meters. (House, No. 79.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, the purchase of paper and publishing laws (House, No. 44) ; ^{Orders of the day.}

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (House, No. 45) ;

Making an appropriation for the removal of wrecks from tide-waters (House, No. 46) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Tax Commissioner (House, No. 47) ;

Making an appropriation for the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind (House, No. 48) ;

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Commissioners of Savings Banks (House, No. 49) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the judicial department of the Commonwealth (House, No. 50) ;

Making an appropriation for the Worcester Polytechnic Institute (House, No. 51) ;

Making appropriations for the salary and expenses of the Commissioner of Public Records (House, No. 52) ;

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Commissioners of the Massachusetts Nautical Training School (House, No. 53) ;

Making an appropriation for certain improvements at the State Almshouse (House, No. 54) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the State Library (House, No. 55) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Secretary of the Commonwealth (House, No. 56) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Attorney-General of the Commonwealth (House, No. 57) ;

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Civil Service Commissioners (House, No. 58) ;

Making an appropriation for current expenses at the Medfield Insane Asylum (House, No. 59) ;

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Railroad Commissioners (House, No. 60) ; and

Making appropriations for sundry miscellaneous expenses authorized by law (House, No. 61) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation (House, No. 2) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General (House, No. 3) ;

Making an appropriation for the payment of certain expenses in connection with the protection of the purity of inland waters (House, No. 4) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the State Board of Health (House, No. 6) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth (House, No. 7) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the executive department of the Commonwealth (House, No. 8) ;

Making appropriations for the salary and expenses of the State Pension Agent (House, No. 9) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the Insurance Commissioner (House, No. 10) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the Controller of County Accounts (House, No. 11) ;

Making an appropriation for the erection of new buildings at the Worcester Lunatic Hospital (House, No. 12) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the Commissioners of Prisons, and for sundry reformatory expenses (House, No. 13) ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the Bureau of Statistics of Labor (House, No. 14) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Cole of Beverly, at twenty-eight minutes past two o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 13, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Turtle of Pittsfield, —

House of Rep-
resentatives, —
adjournment
and hour of
meeting.

Ordered, That when the House adjourns on Thursday of each week it be to meet on the following Friday at one o'clock P.M., and when the House adjourns on Friday of each week it be to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

Annual Report.

Adjutant-
General.

The annual report of the Adjutant-General (Pub. Doc. No. 7) was received and was referred to the committee on Military Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

Resolutions Presented.

Paris treaty.

By Mr. Crouch of Northampton, Resolutions relative to the treaty of peace at Paris. (House, No. 94.) Read and referred to the committee on Federal Relations and sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

The following bills, introduced on leave, were severally read and referred : —

Poll taxes.

By Mr. Donahue of Fall River, a Bill relative to the assessment of poll taxes. (House, No. 86.)

City of Boston,
— municipal
elections.

By Mr. Whall of Boston, a Bill relative to the time for holding municipal elections in the city of Boston. (House, No. 87.)

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Labor, — wages
and hours on
public works.

By Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, a Bill to provide for a uniform rate of wages and hours of labor for mechanics and laborers on public works. (House, No. 93.) To the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Whall of Boston, a Bill relative to the termination of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the city of Boston. (House, No. 88.)

City of Boston,
— intoxicating
liquors.

By the same gentleman, a Bill to establish a board of excise for the city of Boston. (House, No. 89.)

City of Boston,
— board of
excise.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Whall of Boston, a Bill relative to the sewerage works of the city of Boston. (House, No. 90.)

City of Boston,
— sewerage
works.

By the same gentleman, a Bill to repeal chapter 210 of the Acts of the year 1898 relative to the plotting and laying out of streets in the city of Boston. (House, No. 91.)

City of Boston,
— streets.

By the same gentleman, a Bill to reorganize the board of aldermen and common council of the city of Boston. (House, No. 92.)

City of Boston,
— city council.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, a Bill relative to the allowance to be paid to the widow and children of a deceased person in certain cases. (House, No. 85.)

Deceased persons' widows
and children.

By the same gentleman, a Bill relative to sales and mortgages of real estate by guardians. (House, No. 84.)

Guardians, —
sales and mortgages of real
estate.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Grimes of Reading, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 104) of Arthur M. Clement and others for legislation to provide for inspection of nurseries. To the committee on Agriculture.

Nurseries, —
inspection.

By Mr. Feiker of Northampton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 100) of John E. Bates and others for legislation to provide for altering and rebuilding the highway bridge over the Connecticut River between the city of Northampton and the town of Hadley. To the committee on Counties.

Connecticut
River, — bridge
from Northampton to Hadley.

By Mr. Crosby of Barnstable, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 96) of William A. Nye and others, a committee of the town of Bourne, for legislation for the further protection of the alewife fishery in Mon-

Town of
Bourne, — ale-
wife fishery.

ument or Herring River in said town. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Town of Becket. By Mr. Turtle of Pittsfield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 101) of the Chester and Becket Railroad Company for legislation to legalize certain proceedings of the town of Becket. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Soldiers and sailors, — State pay. By Mr. Favor of Gloucester, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 103) of the mayor of the city of Gloucester for further legislation relative to State pay for soldiers and sailors in the volunteer service of the United States. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Danvers Insane Hospital, — sale of land. By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 97) of the trustees of the Danvers Insane Hospital for authority to sell a certain lot of land.

Danvers Insane Hospital, — improvements. By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 98) of the trustees of the Danvers Insane Hospital for authority to make certain repairs and improvements at said hospital.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Street railway companies, — enclosed platforms on cars. By Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, petition with accompanying bill, House, No. 102) of Richard Cullinane and Freeman O. Emerson for legislation to require street railway companies to enclose the platforms of their cars during certain months of the year. To the committee on Street Railways.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Police court of Springfield, — assistant clerk. By Mr. Stone of Springfield, petition with accompanying bill, House, No. 105) of Henry W. Bosworth, Charles L. Long and other members of the Hampden County bar for legislation to create the office of assistant clerk of the police court of Springfield. To the committee on the Judiciary.

City of Boston, — street railway tracks. A petition of Frank W. Finn and others for legislation to enable the West End Street Railway Company to restore its tracks on Tremont street between Boylston street and Scollay Square and on Boylston street between Tremont street and Park Square in the city of Boston, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, having

been deposited in his office as required by law, was referred (with accompanying bill, House, No. 99) to the committee on Street Railways and sent up for concurrence.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

On motion of Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, the petition Liens. of Richard Cullinane for legislation relative to liens on buildings for materials furnished, was taken from the files of last year and (with accompanying bill, House, No. 107) was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

On further motion of the same gentleman, the petition Id. of Chester Sprague and others for legislation relative to liens for materials furnished in buildings, was taken from the files of last year and (with accompanying bill, House, No. 108) was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

On further motion of the same gentleman, the petition Id. of Joseph I. Stewart for the repeal of section 3 of chapter 191 of the Public Statutes relative to liens for materials furnished, was taken from the files of last year and (with accompanying bill, House, No. 109) was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

On further motion of the same gentleman, the Bill Laundries. relative to laundries, was taken from the files of last year and was referred to the committee on Public Health. (House, No. 110.)

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 7) of City of Somerville, — fire department. George W. Perkins and others that certain call-members of the Somerville fire department may have their names placed on the eligible list for appointment on the permanent force of said department without further examination. To the committee on Cities.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 8) of City of Boston, — additional polling places at caucuses. Charles H. Innes for legislation to provide for additional polling places at caucuses in certain wards of the city of Boston. To the committee on Election Laws.

*Reports of Committees.***Appropriation
bill.**

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, from the committee on Ways and Means, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Harbor and Land Commissioners. (House, No. 95.) [Mr. Bennett of Saugus dissenting from so much as relates to the care of the Province Lands.]

Id.

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the District Police. (House, No. 106.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

**State Board of
Insanity.**

By Mr. Chandler of Somerville, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the amount of money to be advanced to the disbursing officer of the State Board of Insanity (House, No. 42) ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

*Orders of the Day.***Orders of the
day.****Bills :**

Making appropriations for the salary and expenses of the General Superintendent of Prisons (House, No. 69) ;

Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (House, No. 70) ;

Making an appropriation for the payment of premiums on securities purchased for the Massachusetts School Fund (House, No. 71) ;

Making an appropriation for the compensation and expenses of the Ballot Law Commissioners (House, No. 72) ;

Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded (House, No. 73) ;

Making appropriations for the payment of annuities to soldiers and others (House, No. 74) ;

Making an appropriation for the salary of the Assayer and Inspector of Liquors (House, No. 75) ;

Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association (House, No. 76) ;

Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts School Fund (House, No. 77) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Reformatory Prison for Women (House, No. 78); and

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the inspectors of gas meters (House, No. 79);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

Making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, the purchase of paper and publishing laws (House, No. 44);

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (House, No. 45);

Making an appropriation for the removal of wrecks from tide-waters (House, No. 46);

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Tax Commissioner (House, No. 47);

Making an appropriation for the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind (House, No. 48);

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Commissioners of Savings Banks (House, No. 49);

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the judicial department of the Commonwealth (House, No. 50);

Making an appropriation for the Worcester Polytechnic Institute (House, No. 51);

Making appropriations for the salary and expenses of the Commissioner of Public Records (House, No. 52);

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Commissioners of the Massachusetts Nautical Training School (House, No. 53);

Making an appropriation for certain improvements at the State Almshouse (House, No. 54);

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the State Library (House, No. 55);

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Secretary of the Commonwealth (House, No. 56);

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Attorney-General of the Commonwealth (House, No. 57);

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Civil Service Commissioners (House, No. 58);

Making an appropriation for current expenses at **the** Medfield Insane Asylum (House, No. 59) ;

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses **of** the Railroad Commissioners (House, No. 60) ; and

Making appropriations for sundry miscellaneous **ex-**penses authorized by law (House, No. 61) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be **en-**grossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill making appropriations for the compensation **and** travel of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of the officers thereof and for expenses in connection therewith (House, No. 5) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge.

On motion of Mr. Donovan of Taunton, at twenty-five minutes past two o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, January 16, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Reed of Taunton, —

Ordered, That the hour of meeting on Wednesday, January 18, shall be half-past eleven o'clock A.M. House of Representatives, —
hour of meeting.

Annual Reports.

The following annual reports, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, were severally referred: —

Annual report of the Librarian of the State Library State Library.
and nineteenth annual supplement to the general catalogue (Pub. Doc. No. 3). To the committee on Libraries.

Fifteenth annual report of the Civil Service Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 53). To the committee on Civil Service Commissioners.
Public Service.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

The following bills and resolves, introduced on leave, were severally read and referred: —

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, a Bill making an appropriation for expenses in connection with the extermination of contagious diseases among horses, cattle and other animals. Animals, —
contagious diseases.
(House, No. 120.)

By the same gentleman, a Bill making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth. Gypsy moth.
(House, No. 119.)

By the same gentleman, a Bill making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the brown-tail moth. Brown-tail moth.
(House, No. 123.)

Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

Province Lands
and Province-
town harbor.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, a Bill making an appropriation for the reclamation of the Province Lands and the preservation of Provincetown harbor. (House, No. 122.)

Forest survey.

By Mr. Ross of Boston, a Resolve to provide for the survey of forest lands and waste unused areas of the Commonwealth. (House, No. 124.)

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Labor, —
women and
minors.

By Mr. Donahue of Fall River, a Bill relative to the hours of labor of women and minors. (House, No. 126.) To the committee on Labor.

Town of
Saugus, —
Salem Turn-
pike.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, a Resolve relative to the reimbursement of the town of Saugus for expenditures on the Salem Turnpike. (House, No. 125.) To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Henry N. Shel-
don and Fred-
erick E. Hurd.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, a Resolve in favor of Henry N. Sheldon and Frederick E. Hurd. (House, No. 121.) To the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

Nonotuck
Savings Bank.

By Mr. Feiker of Northampton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 111) of Robert W. Lyman and others for legislation to incorporate the Nonotuck Savings Bank in the city of Northampton. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Stables.

By Mr. Marden of Stoneham, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 112) of Thomas Mellon for legislation relative to the licensing of stables. To the committee on Cities.

Vesper-
Country Club.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 118) of Charles H. Allen and others for legislation to authorize the Vesper Boat Club and the Lowell Country Club to consolidate under the name of the Vesper-Country Club. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Walter H.
Gilman.

By Mr. Cluer of Lowell, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 117) of J. W. Bennett and others for

legislation to authorize the payment of an annuity to Walter H. Gilman. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of its duties. Committee on Fisheries and Game, — travel.

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of its duties. Committee on Harbors and Public Lands, — travel.

Ordered, That the two branches of the Legislature assemble in joint convention on Wednesday, the eighteenth day of January instant, at 12 o'clock meridian, for the purpose of comparing the journals of the two branches and performing all acts and things necessary and proper to be in joint convention performed, in relation to the election of a person to represent the State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years from the fourth day of March next, in accordance with the provisions of the Revised Statutes of the United States relative to the election of Senators in Congress. Joint convention, — United States Senator.

A report of the joint special committee on Rules, who were instructed to consider what disposition should be made of the several portions of the Governor's address, recommending that the same be referred as follows :— Disposition of the Governor's address.

So much thereof as relates to the late war with Spain, to the committee on Military Affairs ;

So much thereof as relates to the construction of a new dry dock at the Boston Navy Yard, to the committee on [B] Harbors and Public Lands ;

So much thereof as relates to the State debt, to the joint committee on Ways and Means ;

So much thereof as relates to the Metropolitan District, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs ;

So much of that portion thereof concerning State institutions as relates to the public charitable institutions, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions ;

So much of that portion thereof concerning State institutions as relates to prisons, to the committee on Prisons ;

So much thereof as relates to municipal legislation [**A**], to the committee on Cities ;

So much thereof as relates to tuberculosis in cattle, to the committee on Agriculture ;

So much thereof as relates to assessment insurance, to the committee on Insurance ;

So much thereof as relates to the Supreme Judicial Court and the Superior Court, to the committee on Public Service ;

So much thereof as relates to the State House, to the committee on State House ;

So much thereof as relates to the Paris Exposition of 1900, to the committee on Federal Relations, —

Accepted by the Senate, was read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hayes of Lowell. The same gentleman moved to amend the report at “**A**” by inserting the words “and to the regulation of the construction of buildings in cities,” which amendment was adopted, and the report, as amended, was accepted, in concurrence.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Hawes of Weymouth, there being no objection, the vote whereby the report was accepted, in concurrence, was reconsidered. The same gentleman moved to amend at “**B**” by striking out the words “Harbors and Public Lands,” and inserting in place thereof the words “Federal Relations.”

Pending the amendment and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, in concurrence, it was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Francis of New Bedford.

Collection of taxes.

A Bill (taken from the files of last year) relative to the service of process in the collection of taxes (Senate, No. 9) was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Depositions.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 10) of George W. Estabrook and others for an amendment of the law relative to the taking of depositions. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Life preservers.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 11) of Charles F. Sargent for legislation to regulate the manu-

facture and sale of life preservers. To the committee on Manufactures.

Petition of Frank L. Garland that the annuity allowed him may be increased. To the committee on Public Service.

Frank L. Garland.

A petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 12) of Samuel W. Hopkinson and others, trustees of the Danvers Insane Hospital, that said hospital may procure a supply of water from Middleton and Swan's ponds in the town of Middleton, referred by the Senate to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Danvers Insane Hospital, — water supply.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the committee on Ways and Means, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for current expenses at the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics. (House, No. 113.)

Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the compensation of inspectors of animals and provisions. (House, No. 114.)

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the State highway loan sinking fund. (House, No. 115.)

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the metropolitan parks loan sinking fund. (House, No. 116.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

On motion of Mr. Donahue of Fall River, the petition of John F. O'Sullivan that the hours of labor of women and minors may be limited to fifty-four hours a week in mercantile and mechanical establishments, was taken from the files of last year and (with accompanying bill, House, No. 127) was referred to the committee on Labor.

Labor, — fifty-four-hour week.

Gas fitters, etc.

On motion of Mr. Dean of Brookline, a Bill relative to the licensing of gas fitters and persons who install or repair gas, combination or electric fixtures, and to the supervision of the business of gas fitting and the installation and repair of combination or electric fixtures, was taken from the files of last year and was referred to the committee on Manufactures. (House, No. 128.)

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Reconsideration.

City of Boston,
— city council.

On motion of Mr. Saunders of Boston, the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, referred to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs the Bill (introduced on leave) to reorganize the board of aldermen and common council of the city of Boston (House, No. 92) was reconsidered, and on further motion of the same gentleman, the bill was referred to the committees on Election Laws and Metropolitan Affairs, sitting jointly, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

Bills :

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Harbor and Land Commissioners (House, No. 95) ;
and

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the District Police (House, No. 106) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Making appropriations for the salary and expenses of the General Superintendent of Prisons (House, No. 69) ;

Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (House, No. 70) ;

Making an appropriation for the payment of premiums on securities purchased for the Massachusetts School Fund (House, No. 71) ;

Making an appropriation for the compensation and expenses of the Ballot Law Commissioners (House, No. 72) ;

Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded (House, No. 73) ;

Making appropriations for the payment of annuities to soldiers and others (House, No. 74) ; .

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Making an appropriation for the salary of the Assayer and Inspector of Liquors (House, No. 75) ;

Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association (House, No. 76) ;

Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts School Fund (House, No. 77) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Reformatory Prison for Women (House, No. 78) ; and

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the inspectors of gas meters (House, No. 79) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ross of Boston, at twenty-six minutes before three o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 17, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Resolution Presented.

General Court,
— national
affairs.

By Mr. Fitts of Somerville, a Resolution relative to the duty of the General Court in national affairs. (House, No. 138.) Read and referred to the committee on Federal Relations and sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

The following bills, introduced on leave, were severally read and referred : —

Safe deposit,
loan and trust
companies.

By Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, a Bill relative to safe deposit, loan and trust companies. (House, No. 133.) To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Death penalty.

By Mr. Dalton of Salem, a Bill providing for the abolition of the death penalty. (House, No. 136.)

Parks, park-
ways and boule-
vards.

By Mr. Haskins of Rockport, a Bill to protect public parks, parkways and boulevards from disfigurement. (House, No. 132.)

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Telephone
companies.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, a Bill relative to charges and service of companies engaged in telephone business in this Commonwealth. (House, No. 134.) To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Metropolitan
water system, —
boating and
fishing.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, a Bill to permit boating and fishing on the ponds and reservoirs of the metropolitan water system. (House, No. 137.) To the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly.

Road materials.

By Mr. Wallace of Clinton, a Bill relative to the securing of materials by cities and towns for the construction, repair or improvement of streets or ways. (House, No. 135.) To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Parker of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 129) of William C. Parker and another for legislation to establish two polling places for caucuses in ward ten in the city of Boston. To the committee on Election Laws. City of Boston,
— ward ten
polling places.

By Mr. Selfridge of Boston, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 130) of S. M. Stockton for legislation to confirm the acts of Alexander O'D. Taylor as a commissioner for Massachusetts in the State of Rhode Island. To the committee on Probate and Insolvency. Alexander O'D.
Taylor.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition of E. M. Boynton for legislation to extend the time for building the Boston, Quincy and Fall River Bicycle Railway, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, having been deposited in his office as required by law, was referred (with accompanying bill, House, No. 131) to the committee on Street Railways and sent up for concurrence. Boston, Quincy
and Fall River
Bicycle Rail-
way.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lowell, the petition of A. A. Melvin and others for the construction of a bridge across the Merrimac River, was taken from the files of last year. The same gentleman moved that the 9th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules. Merrimac River
bridge.

Papers from the Senate.

The annual report of the State Board of Health on the inspection of food and drugs (Senate, No. 3) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Health. State Board of
Health, — food
and drugs.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 14) of the board of management and the board of trustees of the Bank Officers' Association of the City of Boston that said association shall be exempted from the provisions of Bank Officers'
Association of
the City of
Boston.

the law relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations. To the committee on Insurance.

Public records and documents, — typewriting machines.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 15) of Edwin O. Childs and others for legislation authorizing the use of typewriting machines in recording public records and documents.

Families of firemen killed or injured.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 16) of the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association for an extension of the provisions of chapter 401 of the Acts of the year 1893 relative to the payment of an allowance to families of firemen killed or fatally injured in the discharge of their duties.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

South Deerfield Cemetery Association.

Petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 13) of O. S. Arms and others for the incorporation of the South Deerfield Cemetery Association. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Trustees and guardians, — personal property.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 17) of James R. Dunbar and others that the law relating to the authority of trustees and guardians to make sale of the personal property in their hands for the purpose of changing investments may be changed so as to more accurately define such authority. To the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Reports of Committees.

Libels for divorce.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on so much of the fifty-sixth annual registration report (Pub. Doc., No. 1) as relates to libels for divorce. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the abolition of grade crossings loan sinking fund. (House, No. 139.)

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the salaries of employees and for other necessary expenses in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms. (House, No. 140.)

Id.

By Mr. Paton of Leominster, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making

an appropriation for the Medfield Insane Asylum loan sinking fund. (House, No. 141.)

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Massachusetts Reformatory. (House, No. 145.)

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the prison and hospital loan sinking fund. (House, No. 142.)

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for sundry agricultural expenses. (House, No. 146.)

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm. (House, No. 147.)

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the harbor improvement loan sinking fund. (House, No. 143.)

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse. (House, No. 148.)

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for operating the Neponset River valley system of sewage disposal. (House, No. 149.)

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys. (House, No. 150.)

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for operating the Charles River valley system of sewerage. (House, No. 151.)

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the payment of State and military aid and expenses in connection therewith. (House, No. 152.)

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making

an appropriation for the State House loans sinking fund. (House, No. 144.)

Appropriation
bill.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls. (House, No. 153.)

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for operating the north metropolitan system of sewerage. (House, No. 154.)

Id.

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Adjutant-General and for sundry other military expenses. (House, No. 155.)

Id.

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Massachusetts State Prison. (House, No. 156.)

County of
Berkshire, —
indebtedness.

By Mr. Bugbee of Monson, from the committee on Counties, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Berkshire to borrow a sum of money for the purpose of paying a portion of the indebtedness of said county. (House, No. 28.)

Second
Evangelical
Society in
Lancaster.

By Mr. Fisher of Amherst, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Second Evangelical Society in Lancaster. (House, No. 36.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

State Board of
Insanity.

By Mr. Paton of Leominster, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill relative to the amount of money to be advanced to the disbursing officer of the State Board of Insanity (House, No. 42) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for the second reading.

Bill Enacted.

Bill enacted.

An engrossed Bill making appropriations for the compensation and travel of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of the officers thereof and for expenses in connection therewith (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

*Orders of the Day.***Bills :**

Making an appropriation for current expenses at the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics (House, No. 113);

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Making an appropriation for the compensation of inspectors of animals and provisions (House, No. 114);

Making an appropriation for the State highway loan sinking fund (House, No. 115); and

Making an appropriation for the metropolitan parks loan sinking fund (House, No. 116);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the District Police (House, No. 106) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Senate report of the joint special committee on Rules, who were instructed to consider what disposition should be made of the several portions of the Governor's address, was further considered.

The pending amendment moved by Mr. Hawes of Weymouth, to strike out at "B" the words "Harbors and Public Lands," and insert in place thereof the words "Federal Relations," was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection.

On motion of Mr. Francis of New Bedford, the report was amended at "B" by striking out the words "committee on Harbors and Public Lands," and inserting in place thereof the words "committees on Harbors and Public Lands and Federal Relations, sitting jointly," and the report, as amended, was accepted, in concurrence, and was sent up for concurrence in the amendments adopted by the House.

The Bill making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Harbor and Land Commissioners (House, No. 95) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Trow of Salem moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in line 14, the word "twelve," and inserting in place thereof the word "eight;" and by striking out, in line 18, the word "seven," and inserting in place thereof the word "six."

After debate, pending the amendments and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Bennett of Saugus.

Special Assignment.

Election of
United States
Senator on the
part of the
House.

At half-past two o'clock the Speaker announced the special assignment, being the election, on the part of the House, of a United States Senator for the term of six years from the fourth day of March next.

The roll was called and the following-named members voted for Henry Cabot Lodge of Nahant: —

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.	Messrs. Davis, Daniel W.
Adams, Charles H.	Dean, Benjamin C.
Ames, Butler	Dean, George Z.
Andrews, David B.	Drake, Frederic P.
Andrews, Richard F., Jr.	Dudley, George J.
Apsey, Albert S.	Dumond, John B.
Bartlett, Edwin	Eddy, Curtis
Bates, John L.	Ellsworth, J. Lewis
Battles, David W.	Estes, Eugene B.
Bennett, Frank P.	Farwell, Frederick W.
Blood, Charles H.	Favor, John
Boylston, Ward N.	Feiker, William H.
Briggs, Clarence A.	Fisher, George E.
Brigham, William M.	Fitts, Frank E.
Brown, Henry L.	Folsom, Albert T.
Bullock, William J.	Foster, Frank A.
Burgess, Albert H.	Francis, Frank W.
Burrington, Lester L.	Frost, Archie N.
Bushnell, S. Hopkins	Gilpatric, Fred C.
Campbell, Andrew	Goulding, Albert M.
Carleton, George H.	Grimes, James W.
Chadwick, N. Henry	Hagberg, John G.
Chandler, Leonard B.	Harlow, Franklin P.
Chapple, William D.	Harvell, Elisha T.
Chase, Henry L.	Harvie, Robert B.
Clerke, Charles S.	Harwood, George F.
Cluer, Arthur H.	Harwood, Herbert J.
Conwell, Robert E.	Haskins, Leander M.
Cook, Clifford A.	Hawes, Martin E.
Coolidge, Daniel S.	Hayes, William H. I.
Corey, Charles V.	Haywood, Charles E.
Crosby, Aaron S.	Heath, Guilford P.
Crosby, Alfred R.	Henderson, Francis D.
Crosby, J. Howell	Hooper, Franklin K.
Crouch, Charles S.	Hopewell, William
Dalton, J. Frank	Horton, Henry T.

Messrs. Howard, Robert
 Howland, Charles W.
 Howland, Willard
 Hunt, James
 Huntress, Franklin E.
 Johnson, Charles R.
 Judd, William E.
 Keith, Charles P.
 King, Randolph V.
 Kyle, William S.
 Learoyd, Addison P.
 Leland, Francis
 Leslie, George F.
 Libby, John F.
 Litchfield, William C.
 Lowe, John H.
 Luce, Robert
 Marchant, Charles S.
 Marden, William H.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
 Mead, Edward C.
 Miller, Calvin S.
 Miller, Charles H.
 Mills, Charles P.
 Morrison, Andrew H.
 Munroe, John P.
 Myers, James J.
 Neal, David
 Newton, H. Huestis
 Newton, Phinehas S.
 Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.
 Odlin, William
 Parker, William C.
 Paton, Alexander S.
 Persons, Charles H.
 Pike, William T.
 Porter, Thomas F.
 Powers, John A.
 Puffer, Herbert C.
 Ramsdell, Charles H.
 Reed, Silas D.
 Robinson, Lewis D.
 Root, Albert B.
 Ross, Leonard W.

Messrs. Rounseville, Albert
 Russell, Arthur P.
 Salter, William R.
 Sands, Edward P.
 Saunders, Charles R.
 Seavey, James F.
 Selfridge, George S.
 Shaw, Nathan W.
 Sheppard, Eben W.
 Simmons, Arthur A.
 Sisson, Robert S.
 Skillings, William E.
 Skinner, Henry R.
 Smith, Allen F.
 Smith, Charles F. A.
 Smith, Charles G.
 Spooner, Wallace
 Sprague, Eugene H.
 Stalker, Hugh L.
 Stanley, Benjamin F.
 Stewart, Joseph I.
 Stone, Silas A.
 Swift, William S.
 Tatman, Charles T.
 Tolman, William
 Trow, Charles E.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Turtle, William
 Twombly, Horatio F.
 Upson, Charles H.
 Varney, George E.
 Wallace, S. Ives
 Watson, Walter S.
 Wells, Abelard E.
 Wentworth, Edward E.
 Weston, Walter S.
 Whall, Harry B.
 Wheeler, William D.
 Whipple, John J.
 White, Horace C.
 Willard, Edward E.
 Williams, George F.
 Wood, Alva S.

The following-named members voted for Alexander B. Bruce of Lawrence : —

Messrs. Balcom, George
 Bresnahan, Hugh W.

Messrs. Bridgeo, William
 Brooks, Charles C.

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Messrs. Brown, Willard M.	Messrs. Lanergan, John P.
Bugbee, Nelson A.	Lomasney, Martin M.
Cullinane, Richard	Love, Joseph P.
Currier, Guy W.	Mackey, Thomas
Daly, William	Mahoney, David A.
Davenport, William A.	Mansfield, Matthew M.
Dean, Charles A.	Marchesseault, Eugene D.
Dewey, Frank S., Jr.	McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
Dillon, Thomas J.	McIsaac, Daniel V.
Donahue, Thomas	McLoughlin, William I.
Donovan, Edward J.	Mellen, James H.
Donovan, Eugene E.	Miller, William J.
Donovan, James H.	Minihan, Cornelius
Donovan, Michael J.	Minton, John M.
Dooling, Thomas J.	Montgomery, James A.
Douglass, John J.	Moore, James S.
Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d.	Murphy, Mortimer D.A.
Dyer, George N.	Prindle, John F.
Flanagan, John J.	Queeney, James H.
Gaddis, Michael E.	Quigley, William J.
Gartland, John J., Jr.	Ray, Albert H.
Grant, Oliver S.	Severance, Joseph C.
Green, Thomas H.	Sparks, John T.
Hancock, Portus B.	Stone, Willmore B.
Harriman, Charles H.	Sullivan, Michael J.
Jones, Michael B.	Sullivan, Timothy F.
Kane, Daniel J.	Toland, John I.
Kavanaugh, John E.	Toomey, John J.
Kells, William, Jr.	Twomey, Edmund J.
Keyou, Nicholas B.	Whelan, John B.
King, Charles F.	

The following-named members voted for Winfield P. Porter of Newburyport : —

Mr. James F. Carey.

Mr. Louis M. Scates.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Ainsworth, Wilfred	Messrs. Litchfield, James A.
Bleiler, John	Lockhart, Alexander
Cole, Samuel	Morse, Merrick A.
Conroy, Thomas A.	Ross, Samuel
Davis, William R.	Schofield, William
Fitzgerald, William T.A.	

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The Speaker thereupon announced the result of the vote as follows : —

Whole number of votes,	226
Necessary for a choice,	114
HENRY CABOT LODGE of Nahant had	159
ALEXANDER B. BRUCE of Lawrence had	65
WINFIELD P. PORTER of Newburyport had	2

Whereupon the Speaker announced that Henry Cabot Lodge of Nahant had received a majority of the votes cast, and was elected on the part of the House as Senator of the United States for the term of six years from the fourth day of March next.

On motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, at three o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 18, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past eleven o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Member Qualified.

Member
qualified.

Mr. Langford of Newton, a member-elect, being present and ready to be qualified, Mr. Chadwick of Newton was appointed a committee to conduct him to the Council Chamber to be qualified.

Order.

Committee on
Drainage, —
travel.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Malden, —

Ordered, That the committee on Drainage be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of its duties.

Sent up for concurrence.

Annual Report, etc.

Massachusetts
Hospital for
Consumptives
and Tubercular
Patients.

A supplement to the second annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

State House
Construction
Commissioners.

The annual report of the State House Construction Commissioners, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was referred to the committee on State House. (House, No. 157.)

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Resolution Presented.

Dorchester Bay
life saving
station.

By Mr. Toomey of Boston, a Resolution relative to the placing of a steam launch and search light at the life saving station in Dorchester Bay. (House, No. 162.) Read and referred to the committee on Federal Relations and sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

The following bills and resolve, introduced on leave, were severally read and referred:—

By Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, a Bill relative to life insurance policies. (House, No. 160.) To the committee on Insurance. Life insurance policies.

By Mr. Carey of Haverhill, a Bill to regulate the employment of labor. (House, No. 159.) To the committee on Labor. Labor.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, a Resolve to authorize the Treasurer and Receiver-General to borrow money in anticipation of revenue. (House, No. 161.) To the joint committee on Ways and Means. Treasurer and Receiver-General.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. King of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 158) of W. B. Ferguson and others for legislation to incorporate a street railway mutual insurance company. Referred to the committee on Insurance and sent up for concurrence. Street railway mutual insurance company.

By Mr. Goulding of Duxbury, petition of the selectmen of the town of Scituate for legislation to authorize the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners to rebuild and repair certain highways and bridges in said town. The same gentleman moved that the 9th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules. Harbor and Land Commissioners, — highways and bridges in Scituate.

Papers from the Senate.

The following orders were severally adopted, in concurrence:—

Ordered, That the committee on Counties be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of its duties. Committee on Counties, — travel.

Ordered, That the committee on Printing be instructed to investigate the printing and the distribution of public documents with a view of ascertaining whether or not it is Committee on Printing, — printing and distribution of public documents.

practicable to effect any saving of expense, and that the committee be authorized to report such recommendations or legislation as it may deem advisable.

General Court,
— nomination of
representatives.

A Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the nomination of representatives to the General Court (Senate, No. 18) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Election Laws.

French
Protestant
Church of
Lowell.

A petition (taken from the files of last year) of A. G. Cumnock and others for the incorporation of the trustees of the French Protestant Church of Lowell was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Changes in
committees.

Notice was received that Mr. Leach of Bristol and Mr. Luscombe of the Cape had been excused, at their own request, from serving on the committees on Towns and on Fisheries and Game, respectively; and that Mr. Luscombe had been appointed the first member of the committee on Towns and Mr. Leach the first member of the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Reports of Committees.

House of Repre-
sentatives, —
pay-roll for
travelling
expenses.

By Mr. Favor of Gloucester, from the committee on Pay-Roll, who were instructed to make up the pay-roll for travelling expenses of the present House of Representatives, that the following order, with the accompanying schedule, ought to be adopted:—

Ordered, That the accompanying schedule, showing that the sum of \$17,910 is due to the members of the House of Representatives for compensation for travelling expenses, is approved, and that the same be sent to the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Read, and on motion of Mr. Stone of Springfield, the rule was suspended, the order was adopted, as recommended by the committee, and the schedule was signed by the Speaker.

State Board of
Health, —
sewerage.

By Mr. Powers of Malden, from the committee on Drainage, no legislation necessary, on so much of the twenty-ninth annual report of the State Board of Health (Pub. Doc. No. 34) as relates to sewerage and sewage disposal.

By Mr. Libby of Medford, from the committee on Pardons. Prisons, no legislation necessary, on the message from His Excellency the Governor transmitting a list of pardons granted by the Governor and Council during the year 1898 (Senate, No. 2).

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on so much of the fifty-sixth annual registration report (Pub. Doc. No. 1) as relates to libels for divorce, was accepted and sent up for concurrence. Orders of the day.

Bills :

Relative to the amount of money to be advanced to the disbursing officer of the State Board of Insanity (House, No. 42) ;

Making an appropriation for the abolition of grade crossings loan sinking fund (House, No. 139) ;

Making an appropriation for the Medfield Insane Asylum loan sinking fund (House, No. 141) ;

Making an appropriation for the prison and hospital loan sinking fund (House, No. 142) ;

Making an appropriation for the harbor improvement loan sinking fund (House, No. 143) ;

Making an appropriation for the State House loans sinking fund (House, No. 144) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Massachusetts Reformatory (House, No. 145) ;

Making appropriations for sundry agricultural expenses (House, No. 146) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm (House, No. 147) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse (House, No. 148) ;

Making an appropriation for operating the Neponset River valley system of sewage disposal (House, No. 149) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys (House, No. 150) ;

Making an appropriation for operating the Charles River valley system of sewerage (House, No. 151) ;

Making appropriations for the payment of State and military aid and expenses in connection therewith (House, No. 152) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls (House, No. 153) ;

Making an appropriation for operating the north metropolitan system of sewerage (House, No. 154) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Adjutant-General and for sundry other military expenses (House, No. 155) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Massachusetts State Prison (House, No. 156) ;

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Berkshire to borrow a sum of money for the purpose of paying a portion of the indebtedness of said county (House, No. 28) ; and

To change the name of the Second Evangelical Society in Lancaster (House, No. 36) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Making an appropriation for current expenses at the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics (House, No. 113) ;

Making an appropriation for the compensation of inspectors of animals and provisions (House, No. 114) ;

Making an appropriation for the State highway loan sinking fund (House, No. 115) ; and

Making an appropriation for the metropolitan parks loan sinking fund (House, No. 116) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill making appropriations for the salaries of employees and for other necessary expenses in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms (House, No. 140) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Marden of Stoneham moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in line 14, the words " eleven thousand one hundred," and inserting in place thereof the words " twelve thousand three hundred."

Pending the amendment and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Paton of Leominster.

JOINT CONVENTION.

In compliance with the law of the United States, and pursuant to assignment, at twelve o'clock, meridian, the two branches of the General Court met in

Election of a
United States
Senator.

Convention

for the purpose of comparing the records of the two Houses concerning the election of a Senator in the Congress of the United States for the term of six years from the fourth day of March next, inclusive. And the records of the two Houses having been read it appeared that Henry Cabot Lodge of Nahant had received a majority of all the votes in each House, and was elected. Whereupon he was declared by the President duly elected Senator to represent the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in the Congress of the United States from the fourth day of March next, inclusive.

Thereupon the two branches separated.

Paper from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence, —

Ordered, That the clerks of the two branches notify His Excellency the Governor that Henry Cabot Lodge of Nahant has been duly elected by the Legislature as Senator in the Congress of the United States for the term of six years from the fourth day of March next.

Governor
notified of the
election of a
United States
Senator.

On motion of Mr. Dalton of Salem, at seventeen minutes past twelve o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 19, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Member Qualified.

Member
qualified.

Mr. Chadwick of Newton, who was appointed, yesterday, to conduct Mr. Langford of Newton, a member-elect, to the Council Chamber to be qualified, reported that he had attended to that duty and that Mr. Langford had taken and subscribed to the oaths of office and was duly qualified as a member of the House.

Order.

House of Repre-
sentatives, —
diagram of
seats.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Springfield, —
Ordered, That the Clerk prepare a diagram showing the assignment of seats in the Representatives' Chamber, and furnish each member of the House with a copy thereof.

Annual Reports.

State Board of
Cattle Com-
missioners.

The following annual reports, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, were severally referred: —

The annual report of the State Board of Cattle Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 51). To the committee on Agriculture.

State Board of
Education.

Sixty-second annual report of the State Board of Education (Pub. Doc. No. 2). To the committee on Education.

Attorney-
General.

The annual report of the Attorney-General (Pub. Doc. No. 12). To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Tax Commis-
sioner.

The annual report of the Tax Commissioner, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was laid on the table to be printed. (Pub. Doc. No. 16.)

Resolutions Presented.

By Mr. Mills of Newburyport, Resolutions relative to the visit of the President of the United States to the city of Boston. (House, No. 174.) Read and referred to the committee on Federal Relations and sent up for concurrence.

President of
the United
States.

Introduced on Leave.

The following bills and resolves, introduced on leave, were severally read and referred :—

By Mr. Fisher of Amherst, a Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College. (House, No. 169.) To the committee on Agriculture.

Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

By Mr. King of Boston, a Bill relative to the police department in the city of Boston. (House, No. 164.) To the committee on Cities.

City of Boston,
— police depart-
ment.

By Mr. Fitts of Somerville, a Resolve relative to the instruction of the adult blind. (House, No. 173.) To the committee on Education.

Adult blind.

By Mr. Skinner of Watertown, a Bill relative to equitable process after judgment in certain cases. (House, No. 165.) To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Equitable pro-
cess after judg-
ment.

By Mr. Donahue of Fall River, a Bill relative to the hours of labor of women and minors. (House, No. 167.)

Labor, — women
and minors.

By Mr. Daly of Lawrence, a Bill to prohibit the employment of women and minors in manufacturing establishments between the hours of six o'clock at night and six o'clock in the morning. (House, No. 172.)

Id.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Donahue of Fall River, a Bill relative to the inspection of steam boilers. (House, No. 168.) To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Steam boilers.

By Mr. Haywood of Lynn, a Bill to provide for the deposit of money in a savings bank in the name of a judge of probate and for the payment of the same. (House, No. 170.)

Savings banks,
— deposits in
the name of a
judge of
probate.

By the same gentleman, a Bill relative to the right of a husband or wife in the real estate of a deceased husband or wife. (House, No. 171.)

Real estate, —
right of husband
or wife.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Collection of
taxes.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, a Bill relative to the collection of taxes. (House, No. 166.) To the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

County of Suffolk, — nomination of Senators.

By Mr. Clerke of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 182) of Richard L. Gay for legislation to authorize the nomination of Senators in Suffolk Senatorial districts by direct vote in caucuses.

City of Boston, — nomination of mayor.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill House, No. 183) of Richard L. Gay for legislation to authorize the nomination of the mayor of the city of Boston by direct vote in caucuses.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

County of Nantucket, — fisheries.

By Mr. Andrews of Nantucket, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 175) of Charles G. Coffin, 3d, and others for legislation to prevent the use of seines, nets and other devices in the waters of the county of Nantucket. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Frank O. Squire and Eastern Cold Storage Company.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 176) of Frank O. Squire and others for legislation to ratify and confirm the franchises and locations of Frank O. Squire and of the Eastern Cold Storage Company in the city of Boston. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Town of Stoneham, — taxes.

By Mr. Marden of Stoneham, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 177) of Sidney Hill and others for legislation to authorize the town of Stoneham to refund certain taxes.

Taxation, — owners of certain merchandise.

By Mr. Luce of Somerville, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 180) of Horatio G. Curtis and another for legislation to prevent the double taxation of owners of merchandise held as security for debts.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Town of Arlington, — supervision of wires.

By Mr. Crosby of Arlington, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 163) of the selectmen of the town of Arlington for legislation relative to the regulation and supervision of wires over streets or buildings in said town.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 181) of the selectmen of the town of Arlington for legislation to authorize said town to refund a portion of its indebtedness. Town of Arlington, — indebtedness.

By Mr. Sullivan of Natick, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 179) of the selectmen of the town of Natick for legislation to authorize said town to incur indebtedness for grade crossing purposes. Town of Natick, — grade crossings.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Harvie of North Adams, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 178) of Robert B. Harvie and another that the annuity allowed by the Commonwealth to Samuel Hillman of North Adams may be renewed for a further period of years. To the committee on Ways and Means. Samuel Hillman.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

On motion of Mr. Clerke of Boston, the Bill to establish the voting day in municipal elections in the city of Boston, was taken from the files of last year and was referred to the committee on Election Laws. (House, No. 184.) City of Boston, — municipal election day.

On motion of Mr. Miller of Boston, the petition of William H. Coleman for legislation requiring business brokers to be licensed, was taken from the files of last year and (with accompanying bill, House, No. 185) was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary. Business brokers.

On motion of Mr. Newton of Everett, the Bill relative to the date of filing or recording certain papers in registries of deeds, was taken from the files of last year and was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary. Registries of deeds.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for the enforcement of orders made by the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game relative to fishways (Senate, No. 19) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Fisheries and Game. Fishways.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

City of Boston,
— public-school
teachers' retire-
ment fund.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 20) of George W. M. Hall and others for legislation authorizing the formation and disbursement of a public-school teachers' retirement fund in the city of Boston. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

District
attorney of
the South-
Eastern
District, —
salary.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 21) of George A. Wheeler and others that the salary of the district attorney of the South-Eastern District may be increased. To the committee on Public Service.

Report of a Committee.

Hampden
Savings Bank.

By Mr. Paton of Leominster, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to amend the charter of the Hampden Savings Bank. (House, No. 29.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Drainage, no legislation necessary, on so much of the twenty-ninth annual report of the State Board of Health (Pub. Doc. No. 34) as relates to sewerage and sewage disposal ; and

Of the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary, on the message from His Excellency the Governor transmitting a list of pardons granted by the Governor and Council during the year 1898 (Senate, No. 2) ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to the amount of money to be advanced to the disbursing officer of the State Board of Insanity (House, No. 42) ;

Making an appropriation for the abolition of grade crossings loan sinking fund (House, No. 139) ;

Making an appropriation for the Medfield Insane Asylum loan sinking fund (House, No. 141) ;

Making an appropriation for the prison and hospital loan sinking fund (House, No. 142) ;

Making an appropriation for the harbor improvement loan sinking fund (House, No. 143) ;

Making an appropriation for the State House loans sinking fund (House, No. 144) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Massachusetts Reformatory (House, No. 145) ;

Making appropriations for sundry agricultural expenses (House, No. 146) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm (House, No. 147) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse (House, No. 148) ;

Making an appropriation for operating the Neponset River valley system of sewage disposal (House, No. 149) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys (House, No. 150) ;

Making an appropriation for operating the Charles River valley system of sewerage (House, No. 151) ;

Making appropriations for the payment of State and military aid and expenses in connection therewith (House, No. 152) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls (House, No. 153) ;

Making an appropriation for operating the north metropolitan system of sewerage (House, No. 154) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Massachusetts State Prison (House, No. 156) ;

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Berkshire to borrow a sum of money for the purpose of paying a part of the indebtedness of said county (House, No. 28) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

To change the name of the Second Evangelical Society in Lancaster (House, No. 36) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill making appropriations for the salaries of employees and for other necessary expenses in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms (House, No. 140) was recommitted to the committee on Ways and Means, on motion of Mr. Marden of Stoneham, pending the amendment previously moved by that gentleman, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading.

The Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Adjutant-General and

for sundry other military expenses (House, No. 155) was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Estes of Brockton.

On motion of Mr. Feiker of Northampton, at half-past two o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 20, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Annual Report.

The ninth annual report of the Board of Free Public Library Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 44), received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was referred to the committee on Libraries and sent up for concurrence.

Free Public
Library Com-
missioners.*Introduced on Leave.*

The following bills, introduced on leave, were severally read and referred : —

By Mr. Frost of Lawrence, a Bill relative to the recounting of votes. (House, No. 197.) To the committee on Election Laws.

Recounts.

By Mr. White of Somerville, a Bill relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations. (House, No. 198.) To the committee on Insurance.

Fraternal
beneficiary
organizations.

By Mr. Frost of Lawrence, a Bill relative to deposits and loans by employees. (House, No. 203.)

Employees,—
deposits and
loans.

By Mr. Dean of Wakefield, a Bill to facilitate the sale of securities by the municipalities of the Commonwealth. (House, No. 204.)

Municipalities,
— sale of
securities.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Carey of Haverhill, a Bill making eight hours or less a day's work for State, county, city and town employees. (House, No. 201.) To the committee on Labor.

Labor,—
eight-hour day.

By Mr. Frost of Lawrence, a Bill relative to steamship passenger lists. (House, No. 202.)

Steamship pas-
senger lists.

By Mr. Root of Boston, a Bill to provide for the registration of horseshoers. (House, No. 199.)

Horseshoers.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

First District
Court of Bris-
tol.

By Mr. Crosby of Attleborough, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 194) of E. M. Reed, special justice of the First District Court of Bristol, for legislation to authorize the county of Bristol to reimburse him for travelling expenses. To the committee on Counties.

Supreme
Judicial Court,
— review of
decisions.

By Mr. Stalker of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 192) of James W. Stillman for legislation to prohibit the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court from sitting in review of decisions previously rendered by themselves.

Personal
property, —
conditional
sale.

By Mr. Gartland of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 103) of Edward P. White for legislation relative to contracts for the conditional sale of personal property.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Town of Win-
throp, — shore
road.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 186) of O. E. Lewis and others for legislation to authorize the town of Winthrop to incur indebtedness for a shore road.

Metropolitan
Park Commis-
sioners, — land
in Winthrop.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 188) of O. E. Lewis and others for legislation to authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to take land in the town of Winthrop for a reservation and roadway.

Revere Beach
Reservation.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 196) of the secretary of the Metropolitan Park Commission for legislation to provide for the restoration of the bath house and for other necessary expenses at the Revere Beach Reservation.

City of Boston,
— public parks.

By Mr. Bleiler of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 187) of Charles E. Stratton and others for legislation to enable the city of Boston to finish the construction of its public parks.

City of Boston,
— finances.

By Mr. Stalker of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 189) of Willard H. Hodgkins and another for legislation relative to the finances of the city of Boston.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

By Mr. Dean of Brookline, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 191) of the selectmen of the town of Brookline for legislation to authorize the formation of a fire department in said town. Town of Brookline, — fire department.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 190) of the selectmen of the town of Revere for legislation to authorize said town to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of constructing highways. Town of Revere, — indebtedness.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Montgomery of Cambridge, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 195) of J. A. Montgomery that an allowance may be made from the treasury of the Commonwealth to Lemuel Burr, a member of the Ponkapoag tribe of Indians. To the committee on Ways and Means. Lemuel Burr.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of its duties. Committee on Agriculture, — travel.

A Resolution relative to the Honorable George F. Hoar, Senator from Massachusetts in the Congress of the United States (Senate, No. 23), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Federal Relations. Senator George F. Hoar.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 22) of Edward P. Usher and others, a special committee of the town of Grafton, that said town may be authorized to incur indebtedness for school purposes beyond the limit fixed by law. To the committee on Education. Town of Grafton, — school debt.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 24) of Charles F. Sargent and others for legislation repealing, under certain conditions, the law limiting the number of licenses to be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors. To the committee on the Liquor Law. Intoxicating liquors, — number of licenses.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 25) of John F. Wood relating to the selling of articles in the streets and from house to house in the city of Boston. To the joint committee on the Judiciary. City of Boston, — pedlars.

Association of
Collegiate
Alumnæ.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 26) of Alice Freeman Palmer and others for the incorporation of the Association of Collegiate Alumnæ.

Boston Letter
Carriers'
Mutual Benefit
Association.

Petition of Peter F. Tague that the Boston Letter Carriers' Mutual Benefit Association may be authorized to receive and hold grants, devises, bequests, donations and other funds for the purposes of its incorporation.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

City of Boston,
—clerical
assistance for
clerk of munic-
ipal court.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 27) of Orsino G. Sleeper, clerk of the municipal court of the city of Boston, that he may be allowed \$2,500, in addition to the sum now paid him, for clerical assistance. To the committee on Public Service.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Adjutant-General and for sundry other military expenses (House, No. 155) was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend the charter of the Hampden Savings Bank (House, No. 29) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, the bill was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

On motion of Mr. Trow of Salem, at eleven minutes past one o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, January 23, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, —

Ordered, That the committee on Ways and Means be authorized to visit such places in the Commonwealth as it may deem necessary in the discharge of its duties.

Committee on
Ways and
Means, —
travel.

Annual Reports.

The tenth annual report of the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 45), received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was referred to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

Metropolitan
Sewerage Com-
missioners.

The annual report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was laid on the table to be printed. (Pub. Doc. No. 5.)

Treasurer and
Receiver-
General.

Introduced on Leave.

The following bills and resolves, introduced on leave, were severally read and referred: —

By Mr. Paton of Leominster, a Bill relative to search warrants authorizing search in night time. (House, No. 219.)

Search
warrants.

By Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, a Bill relative to the taking of bail by certain police officials. (House, No. 217.)

Police officers,
— bail.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, a Bill relative to charges and service of companies engaged in telegraph business in this Commonwealth. (House, No. 221.) To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Telegraph
companies.

By Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, a Bill relative to the admission of certain evidence in divorce and separate-maintenance proceedings. (House, No. 218.)

Divorce and
separate-
maintenance
proceedings.

Writs.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, a Bill relative to the pri of certain writs. (House, No. 220.)

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvenc

**New England
Industrial
School for
Deaf Mutes.**

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, a Resolve in favor of the Ne England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes. (House, No. 226.) To the committee on Public Charitable Institution

**Elections, —
counting of
votes.**

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, a Resolve to provide fo the purchase of apparatus to be used at polling places i the canvass and count of votes. (House, No. 216.)

**Massachusetts
troops, —
records.**

By the same gentleman, a Resolve relative to the com piling, indexing and publishing of the records of the Mas sachusetts troops who served in the Revolutionary War (House, No. 215.)

Severally to the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Laundries.

By Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, a Bill relative to laun- dries and persons employed therein. (House, No. 222.) To the committee on Labor.

Subsequently, Mr. Cullinane moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was referred to the committee on Labor, which motion was adopted, and the bill was referred, on further motion of the same gentle- man, to the committee on Public Health and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

**City of Newton,
— board of
aldermen.**

By Mr. Chadwick of Newton, petition (with accom- panying bill, House, No. 206) of the mayor of the city of Newton for legislation relative to the filling of vacancies in the board of aldermen of said city.

**City of Newton,
— disposal of
surface water
and sewage.**

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 214) of the mayor of the city of Newton for legislation relative to contracts between said city and the city of Boston for the disposal of surface water and sewage.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

**City of Newton,
— sewer assess-
ments.**

By Mr. Chadwick of Newton, petition (with accom- panying bill, House, No. 207) of the mayor of the city of Newton for legislation to authorize said city to make assessments to cover the cost of making sewer connections.

By Mr. Newton of Everett, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 208) of the mayor of the city of Everett for legislation to authorize said city to incur indebtedness for the purpose of completing its system of sewerage.

City of Everett,
— sewerage.

Severally to the committee on Drainage.

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 209) of the trustees of the Lowell Textile School for an appropriation for the maintenance of said school. To the committee on Education.

Lowell Textile
School.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, petition of L. S. Brigham and others in aid of the Bill to permit boating and fishing on the ponds and reservoirs of the metropolitan water system. To the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly.

Metropolitan
water system,
— boating and
fishing.

By Mr. Davis of Amesbury, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 210) of D. W. Davis for legislation to provide additional compensation for certain sick and wounded soldiers and sailors who served in the war with Spain. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Soldiers and
sailors, — com-
pensation.

By Mr. Davis of Amesbury, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 211) of George H. Swett and others that the town of Amesbury may be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the repair and maintenance of certain bridges on the Merrimac River. To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Town of
Amesbury, —
bridges.

By Mr. Odlin of Andover, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 212) of Thomas F. Pratt and others for legislation relative to the taxation of certain property of educational institutions.

Educational
institutions, —
taxation.

By Mr. Porter of Lynn, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 213) of Stephen R. Rogers and others for legislation to authorize cities and towns to receive partial payments of taxes on undivided pieces of real estate.

Real estate, —
partial payment
of taxes.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 205) of John S. Gillis for legislation to compensate him for injuries received while in the performance of his duty as an attendant in the Danvers Insane Hospital. To the committee on Ways and Means.

John S. Gillis.

Cape Cod
canal, —
convict labor.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition of Willard Howland for legislation to authorize the construction of a canal across Cape Cod by convict labor. The same gentleman moved that the 9th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

City of Boston,
— Morton street
boulevard.

On motion of Mr. Whall of Boston, the petition of J. B. L. Bartlett for legislation relative to the construction of a boulevard from the corner of Blue Hill Avenue and Morton street to Washington street at Forest Hills in the city of Boston, was taken from the files of last year and was referred (with accompanying bill, House, No. 228) to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

Committee
on Cities, —
travel.

Ordered, That the committee on Cities be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of its duties.

Committee on
Roads and
Bridges, —
travel.

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of its duties.

Committee on
Water Supply,
— travel.

Ordered, That the committee on Water Supply be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of its duties.

Treasurer
and Receiver-
General, —
examination of
securities.

A report of the joint committee on Ways and Means, on the condition of the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and Receiver-General (Senate, No. 31), accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The following resolutions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

War with
Spain.

Resolution on the successful completion of the war with Spain. (Senate, No. 28.) To the committee on Federal Relations.

East Boston
tunnel.

Resolution relative to the construction of a tunnel to East Boston. (Senate, No. 29.) To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 30) of William J. Donovan for legislation to authorize the city of Boston to expend \$2,000,000 in laying out, locating anew, altering, widening and constructing highways not exceeding fifty feet in width. To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs. City of Boston,
— highways.

Petition of John C. Crosby and others that the salary of the justice of the District Court of Central Berkshire may be increased. To the committee on Public Service. District Court
of Central
Berkshire, —
salary of
justice.

The House petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 177) of Sidney Hill and others for legislation to authorize the town of Stoneham to refund certain taxes, referred, by the House, to the committee on Taxation, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Towns. On motion of Mr. Marden of Stoneham, the House receded from its reference to the committee on Taxation and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the committee on Towns, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly. Town of
Stoneham, —
taxes.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 9th joint rule be suspended on the petition of Sydney H. Buttrick and others, a committee of the town of Melrose, for legislation to incorporate the city of Melrose. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 246) was referred to the committee on Cities, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence. City of
Melrose.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 9th joint rule be suspended on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Scituate for legislation to authorize the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners to rebuild and repair certain highways and bridges in said town. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House Town of
Scituate, —
highways and
bridges.

No. 225) was referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct and sent up for concurrence.

Merrimac River
bridge.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, from the committee on Rule that the 9th joint rule be suspended on the petition (taken from the files of last year) of A. A. Melvin and others for the construction of a bridge across the Merrimac River. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 227) was referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, from the committee on Ways and Means, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the Massachusetts war loan sinking fund. (House, No. 223.)

Id.

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the expenses of the Board of Free Public Library Commissioners. (House, No. 224.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reconsideration.

City of Boston,
—pedlars.

On motion of Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, concurred with the Senate in the reference to the joint committee on the Judiciary of the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 25) of John F. Wood relating to the selling of articles in the streets and from house to house in the city of Boston, was reconsidered, and pending the recurring question on concurring with the Senate in the reference, the petition was laid on the table, on further motion of the same gentleman.

On motion of Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, at twenty minutes past two o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 24, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker and stated that Mr. Bennett of Saugus had been appointed to preside. Mr. Bennett accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Marden of Stoneham, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of its duties. Committee on Military Affairs, — travel.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Seavey of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Pay-Roll be instructed to investigate the claims of members of this House who consider that the amount allowed them for compensation for travel is insufficient. Committee on Pay-Roll, — claims for extra compensation for travel.

Annual Reports.

The following annual reports, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, were severally referred: —

Part I. of the twenty-third annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks relating to savings banks, institutions for savings and safe deposit, loan and trust companies (Pub. Doc. No. 8). To the committee on Banks and Banking. Savings banks and safe deposit, loan and trust companies.

Eleventh annual report on the custody and condition of the public records of parishes, towns and counties (Pub. Doc. No. 52). To the joint committee on the Judiciary. Public records, — custody and condition.

Twenty-eighth annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons (Pub. Doc. No. 13). To the committee on Prisons. Commissioners of Prisons.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Public service,
— expenditures
in excess of
appropriations.

A special report, received from the Auditor of Accounts, of the expenditures in excess of appropriations incurred by the several departments of the public service during the year 1898 (House, No. 230) was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Introduced on Leave.

The following bills, introduced on leave, were severally read and referred : —

Board of Cattle
Commissioners;
diseases
among animals.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, a Bill to abolish the Board of Cattle Commissioners and to provide for enforcing the laws relative to contagious diseases among animals. (House, No. 241.) To the committee on Agriculture.

Truants, —
temporary
release.

By Mr. Johnson of Worcester, a Bill relative to the temporary release of children under sentence for truancy. (House, No. 240.)

Supreme
Judicial and
Superior courts,
— fees of clerks.

By Mr. Grimes of Reading, a Bill relative to the fees of clerks of the Supreme Judicial Court and the Superior Court. (House, No. 243.)

Divorce.

By the same gentleman, a Bill relative to divorce. (House, No. 244.)

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Town of
Leominster, —
water for
Lunenburg.

By Mr. Patch of Leominster, a Bill to authorize the town of Leominster to supply the inhabitants of the town of Lunenburg with water. (House, No. 242.) To the committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

City of New-
buryport, —
board of
aldermen.

By Mr. Mills of Newburyport, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 231) of the mayor of the city of Newburyport for legislation relative to the board of aldermen of said city.

City of New-
buryport, —
alderman at
large.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 232) of the mayor of the city of Newburyport for legislation to authorize the election of an alderman at large in said city.

City of
Fitchburg, —
hospital
buildings.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 233) of the mayor of the city of

Fitchburg for legislation to authorize said city to borrow money and to issue notes or scrip for the purpose of erecting hospital buildings and grading grounds about the same.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Luce of Somerville, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 234) of Frederick A. Draper for legislation to regulate the conduct of life insurance business. To the committee on Insurance. Life insurance.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 235) of Fisher Ames for legislation relative to attachment of wages for personal labor and services. Attachment of wages.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 237) of Robert W. Lyman and others for legislation relative to the powers and privileges of special commissioners. Special commissioners.

By Mr. Haywood of Lynn, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 245) of R. E. Harmon for legislation to permit one judge of probate and insolvency to make compensation for services of another for his convenience. Judges of probate and insolvency.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 238) of Alfred Bickford for compensation for injuries received while on duty at the annual muster of the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia in the year 1898. To the committee on Military Affairs. Alfred Bickford.

By Mr. Mills of Newburyport, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 229) of the city council of the city of Newburyport for legislation relative to the powers and duties of the water commission of said city. To the committee on Water Supply. City of Newburyport, — water commission.

By Mr. Marden of Stoneham, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 236) of George S. Evans, secretary of the board of trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, for an appropriation toward the maintenance of said home. To the joint committee on Ways and Means. Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

*Taken from the Files of Last Year.*Elevators, —
safety guards.

On motion of Mr. Powers of Malden, the petition of Charles F. Brown and others for legislation to provide for safety guards upon elevators, was taken from the files of last year and (with accompanying bill, House, No. 249) was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Thomas W.
Mack.

On motion of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, the petition of Thomas W. Mack that he may be allowed compensation from the treasury of the Commonwealth for injuries to a horse owned by him while said horse was in the custody of officers of the Commonwealth, was taken from the files of last year and (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 248) was referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Third District
Court of Eastern
Middlesex, —
salary of clerk.

On further motion of Mr. Apsey, the petition of the clerk of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex for an increase of salary, was taken from the files of last year and (with accompanying bill, House, No. 247) was referred to the committee on Public Service.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following bills and resolves, introduced on leave, were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Elections, —
counting of
ballots.

Bill relative to the counting of ballots at elections. (Senate, No. 33.) To the committee on Election Laws.

Adjutant-
General, —
war records.

Resolve to provide for the preservation of the war records in the office of the Adjutant-General.

Id.

Resolve relative to completing the index of the war records and re-writing the war record books in the office of the Adjutant-General.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Auditor of
Accounts, —
messenger.

Bill to authorize the employment of a messenger in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth. To the committee on State House.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Cohasset
harbor.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 34) of Tower Brothers & Company and others that Cohasset harbor may be dredged and deepened. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 35) of the South Boston Citizens' Association that the city of Boston be authorized to borrow money, outside the debt limit, for the extension of Cove street. To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

City of Boston,
— Cove street.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Bullock of New Bedford, from the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on so much of the twenty-ninth annual report of the State Board of Health (Pub. Doc. No. 34) as was referred to said committee.

State Board of
Health.

By Mr. Chase of Westborough, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of the Chief of the Massachusetts District Police (Pub. Doc. No. 32) as relates to ventilation and sanitary measures.

Massachusetts
District Police
— ventilation
and sanitary
measures.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Turtle of Pittsfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 101), a Bill to legalize certain proceedings of the town of Becket. (House, No. 239.)

Town of
Becket.

By Mr. Brown of Weston, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Wayland to refund a portion of its indebtedness. (House, No. 19.)

Town of
Wayland, —
indebtedness

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Adams of Barre, from the committee on Agriculture, on a bill introduced on leave (House, No. 119), in part, a Bill making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Gypsy moth.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the executive department of the Commonwealth ;

Bills enacted.

Making an appropriation for the erection of new buildings at the Worcester Insane Hospital ;

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation ;

Making appropriations for the salary and expenses of the State Pension Agent ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the Commissioners of Prisons and for sundry reformatory expenses ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the Controller of County Accounts ;

Making an appropriation for the payment of certain expenses in connection with the protection of the purity of inland waters ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the State Board of Health ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve relative to the publication of the bulletin of committee hearings (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The report of the joint committee on Ways and Means, on the condition of the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and Receiver-General (Senate, No. 31), was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts war loan sinking fund (House, No. 223) ; and

Making appropriations for the expenses of the Board of Free Public Library Commissioners (House, No. 224) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan of Natick, at eighteen minutes past two o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 25, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker and stated that Mr. Reed of Taunton had been appointed to preside. Mr. Reed accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Orders.

The consideration of the following order, offered by Mr. Carey of Haverhill, was postponed until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Stone of Springfield:—

Ordered, That the Insurance Commissioner be instructed to inquire whether the Commonwealth might not, to the advantage of the public, assume the business of life and fire insurance within its limits, and to report the result of his investigations, with his conclusions thereon, to the General Court of the year 1900.

Insurance
Commissioner,
— State control
of life and fire
insurance.

Resolutions Presented.

By Mr. Corey of Sturbridge, Resolutions relative to mail contracts on stage routes. (House, No. 269.) Read and referred to the committee on Federal Relations and sent up for concurrence.

Mail contracts
on stage routes.

Introduced on Leave.

The following bills and resolves, introduced on leave, were severally read and referred:—

By Mr. Fitts of Somerville, a Bill to revise the charter of the city of Somerville. (House, No. 268.) To the committee on Cities.

City of
Somerville, —
revision of
charter.

By Mr. Campbell of Westfield, a Resolve to provide a building for a practice school in connection with the State Normal School at Westfield. (House, No. 260.) To the committee on Education.

Westfield
Normal School,
— practice
school.

By Mr. Dumond of Boston, a Bill to divide the city of Boston into aldermanic districts. (House, No. 264.)

City of Boston,
— aldermanic
districts.

To the committees on Election Laws and Metropolitan Affairs, sitting jointly.

Personal property, — loans.

By Mr. Dumond of Boston, a Bill to regulate the business of making loans upon deposits or pledges of personal property. (House, No. 256.)

Medfield Insane Asylum, — water supply.

By Mr. Ray of Ashland, a Bill relative to an additional water supply for the Medfield Insane Asylum. (House, No. 257.)

Contempt of court, — trial by jury.

By Mr. Carey of Haverhill, a Bill to provide for trial by jury in cases of contempt of court. (House, No. 267.)

Larceny.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, a Bill to define the crime of larceny. (House, No. 265.)

Province Laws.

By the same gentleman, a Bill to provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws. (House, No. 266.)

District Court of Eastern Franklin.

By Mr. Brooks of Orange, a Bill to establish the District Court of Eastern Franklin. (House, No. 261.)

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

City of Boston, — contracts for public works.

By Mr. Toomey of Boston, a Bill relative to contracts made by the city of Boston for public works. (House, No. 258.) To the committee on Labor.

Metropolitan district, — blasting.

By Mr. Stewart of Boston, a Bill relative to blasting within the metropolitan district. (House, No. 262.) To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Bradford's History of the Plymouth Plantation.

By Mr. Johnson of Worcester, a Resolve to provide for printing additional copies of Bradford's History of the Plymouth Plantation. (House, No. 259.) To the committee on Printing.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred: —

Agricultural interests, — injurious insects.

By Mr. Crosby of Barnstable, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 263) of John Bensley and others for legislation making an appropriation for investigating the habits of insects injurious to the cranberry and other agricultural interests of the Commonwealth. To the committee on Agriculture.

Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game, — food fish.

By Mr. Mills of Newburyport, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 250) of C. P. Mills for legislation to authorize the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries

and Game to occupy and control Mill Pond in the town of Yarmouth for the purpose of cultivating food fish.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 251) of Albert Carrier for legislation relative to the taking of eels and clams from the Merrimac River in the town of Salisbury and the city of Newburyport.

Merrimac River, — eels and clams.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Ross of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 253) of Leonard W. Ross for legislation relative to the taking of bail. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Taking of bail.

By Mr. Mills of Newburyport, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 254) of Charles P. Mills for legislation to abolish the Massachusetts Highway Commission and to transfer its duties to the county commissioners and a State engineer.

Massachusetts Highway Commission, — abolition.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 255) of Charles P. Mills for legislation relative to the apportionment of money expended by the Massachusetts Highway Commission.

Massachusetts Highway Commission, — apportionment of money.

Severally to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

A petition of Alexander Dow for legislation to authorize the construction of a canal across Cape Cod, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, having been deposited in his office as required by law, was referred (with accompanying bill, House, No. 252) to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands and sent up for concurrence.

Cape Cod canal.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

On motion of Mr. Bartlett of Oxford, the petition of the Southbridge Board of Trade for legislation relative to itinerant venders, was taken from the files of last year, and (with accompanying bill, House, No. 270) was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary and sent up for concurrence.

Itinerant venders.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 65) of Samuel W. Abbott, secretary of the State Board of Health, for an increase of salary, accepted by

State Board of Health, — salary of secretary.

the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of Newton,
— sewer assess-
ments.

The House petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 207) of the mayor of the city of Newton for legislation to authorize said city to make assessments to cover the cost of making sewer connections, referred by the House to the committee on Drainage, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Cities. On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lowell, the House receded from its reference to the committee on Drainage and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the committee on Cities, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

City of Boston,
— widow of
William D.
Leavitt.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 36) of John A. Keliher that the city of Boston may be authorized to pay a sum of money to the widow of William D. Leavitt, late a member of the police department of said city. To the committee on Cities.

Protection of
certain birds.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 37) of George H. Mackay for the protection of certain birds. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

County of
Suffolk, —
assistance for
clerk of
Superior Court.

Petition of Joseph A. Willard, clerk of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Suffolk, for additional clerical assistance in his office. To the committee on Public Service.

Reports of Committees.

President of the
United States.

By Mr. Hawes of Weymouth, from the committee on Federal Relations, that the Resolutions relative to the visit of the President of the United States to the city of Boston (House, No. 174) ought to be adopted, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 271.) On motion of Mr. Hawes, the rules were suspended and the resolutions were adopted and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

The resolutions were as follows : —

Resolved, That the General Court learns with pleasure of the contemplated visit of the President of the United States to the capital city of this Commonwealth; and that, as an expression of our high regard for the office and for its distinguished incumbent, we offer a cordial invitation to him to visit the General Court on that occasion.

Resolved, That a joint special committee, to consist of the President and such members of the Senate as the President may designate, and the Speaker and such members of the House as the Speaker may designate, be appointed to extend to the President of the United States the greetings of the General Court and to tender this invitation.

By Mr. Kyle of Plymouth, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Vesper Boat Club and the Lowell Country Club to consolidate. (House, No. 118.) Read and ordered to a second reading. Vesper-Country Club.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth ought to pass. (House, No. 272.) [Mr. Paton of Leominster dissenting.] Mr. Bennett moved a suspension of the rule, that the bill might take its second reading, which motion, after debate, was lost, by a vote of 67 to 108, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading. Gypsy moth.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill (recommitted) making appropriations for the salaries of employees and for other necessary expenses in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms (House, No. 140) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on ordering the bill to a third reading. Appropriation bill.

Reconsideration.

On motion of Mr. Chapple of Salem, the vote whereby the House, yesterday, referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 245) of R. E. Harmon for legislation to permit one judge of probate and insolvency to make compensation for services of another for his convenience, was reconsidered, and on further motion of the same gentleman, the petition was referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency and sent up for concurrence. Judges of probate and insolvency.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Making appropriations for the expenses of the Massachusetts Nautical Training School ; Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Gas and Electric Light Commissioners ;

Making appropriations for the salary and expenses of the Commissioner of Public Records ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Tax Commissioner ;

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Railroad Commissioners ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Attorney-General of the Commonwealth ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the day.

Of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary :

On so much of the annual report of the Chief of the Massachusetts District Police (Pub. Doc. No. 32) as relates to ventilation and sanitary measures ; and

On so much of the twenty-ninth annual report of the State Board of Health (Pub. Doc. No. 34) as was referred to said committee ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Wayland to refund a portion of its indebtedness (House, No. 19) ; and

To legalize certain proceedings of the town of Becket (House, No. 239) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts war loan sinking fund (House, No. 223) ; and

Making appropriations for the expenses of the Board of Free Public Library Commissioners (House, No. 224) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Robinson of Springfield, at twenty-one minutes before three o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 26, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker and stated that Mr. Whipple of Brockton had been appointed to preside. Mr. Whipple accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend George E. Fisher of Amherst, a member of the House.

Order.

The order relative to instructing the Insurance Commissioner to inquire whether the Commonwealth might not, to the advantage of the public, assume the business of life and fire insurance within its limits, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, was considered, and after debate was rejected.

Insurance Commissioner, — State control of life and fire insurance.

Annual Report.

A communication from the Controller of County Accounts, transmitting copies of the records of the proceedings of the county commissioners of the several counties, was received and was referred to the committee on Counties and sent up for concurrence.

County commissioners, — records of proceedings.

Introduced on Leave.

The following bills and resolves, introduced on leave, were severally read and referred:—

By Mr. Hancock of Brockton, a Bill relative to the inspection and sale of milk. (House, No. 285.) To the committee on Agriculture.

Milk.

By Mr. Minton of Boston, a Bill to provide for the better enforcement of the building laws of the city of Boston. (House, No. 305.)

City of Boston, — building laws.

By Mr. Sands of Boston, a Bill relative to city auditors' reports. (House, No. 286.)

City auditors, — reports.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Leland of Templeton, a Resolve relative to the Normal Art School building. (House, No. 294.)

Normal Art School.

Fitchburg
Normal School,
— practice
school.

By Mr. Blood of Fitchburg, a Resolve to provide for the erection of a building for a model and practice school in connection with the State Normal School at Fitchburg. (House, No. 291.)

Severally to the committee on Education.

City of Boston,
— assessments
for polls and
voting purposes.

By Mr. King of Boston, a Bill relative to the assessing of men in the city of Boston for polls and for voting purposes and for assessing women for voting purposes. (House, No. 304.) To the committee on Election Laws.

Industrial and
prudential
insurance.
Id.

By Mr. Donahue of Fall River, a Bill relative to industrial or prudential insurance. (House, No. 287.)

By Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, a Bill relative to life insurance policies in prudential and industrial companies. (House, No. 288.)

Severally to the committee on Insurance.

Personal
property, —
conditional sale.

By Mr. Driscoll of Chicopee, a Bill relative to contracts for the conditional sale of personal property. (House, No. 295.) To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Intoxicating
liquors, — num-
ber of licenses.

By Mr. Dumond of Boston, a Bill to amend an act relative to the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors. (House, No. 289.) To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Bounties.

By Mr. Litchfield of Middleborough, a Bill relative to providing for the payment of bounties to Massachusetts soldiers from the treasury of the Commonwealth in certain cases. (House, No. 290.) To the committee on Military Affairs.

George E.
McNeil.

By Mr. Marden of Stoneham, a Resolve in favor of George E. McNeil. (House, No. 296.)

Albert Tuson.

By Mr. Hunt of Worcester, a Resolve in favor of Albert Tuson. (House, No. 297.)

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Railroad com-
panies, —
bicycles.

By Mr. Frost of Lawrence, a Bill requiring railroad companies to transport bicycles as baggage. (House, No. 292.) To the committee on Railroads.

Foreign corpo-
rations, —
returns.

By Mr. Mansfield of Lowell, a Bill to require complete returns from foreign companies doing business in this Commonwealth. (House, No. 293.) To the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred: —

By Mr. Ellsworth of Worcester, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 275) of Howard N. Legate for legislation to establish the salary of the second clerk of the secretary of the Massachusetts State Board of Agriculture. To the committee on Agriculture.

Board of Agriculture, — salary of secretary's second clerk.

By Mr. Gartland of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 284) of James W. Kenney and others for legislation to incorporate the Federal Trust Company. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Federal Trust Company.

By Mr. Sands of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 274) of Edward P. Sands for legislation to require city auditors to publish reports of the number of city employees and of other facts concerning the same.

City auditors, — reports.

By Mr. Brown of North Adams, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 273) of the mayor of the city of North Adams and another for legislation to authorize said city to refund its indebtedness.

City of North Adams, — indebtedness.

By Mr. Fitts of Somerville, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 268) of Frank E. Fitts for legislation to revise the charter of the city of Somerville.

City of Somerville, — revision of charter.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 276) of James W. Stillman and others for an amendment to the Constitution providing for the election for a term of years of all judicial officers now appointed by the Governor and Council. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional amendment, — election of judicial officers.

By Mr. Stone of Sharon, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 277) of George A. Dennett and others for legislation relative to the purchase of real estate by associations incorporated for charitable, educational and other purposes. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Charitable and other associations, — purchase of real estate.

By Mr. Stewart of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 279) of Charles F. Kittredge and others for legislation to provide for local option by districts in the city of Boston. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

City of Boston, — local option by districts.

City of Lynn, —
legacy.

By Mr. Haywood of Lynn, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 278) of Charles E. Haywood for legislation to enable the city of Lynn to receive a certain legacy. To the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Cigarettes and
cigarette
tobacco.

By Mr. Sisson of Lynn, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 280) of Clayton S. Cooper and others for legislation to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes and cigarette tobacco. To the committee on Public Health.

Town of North
Andover, —
water bonds.

By Mr. Odlin of Andover, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 282) of the water commissioners of the town of North Andover for legislation to authorize said town to issue additional water loan bonds or notes. To the committee on Towns.

Free water for
domestic and
public purposes.

By Mr. King of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 283) of Walter L. Sears for legislation to authorize cities and towns to furnish water free of charge for domestic or public purposes. To the committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Mystic River, —
Wellington
bridge between
Somerville and
Medford.

A petition of John H. Powers and others for legislation to provide for the construction of a new bridge or for the remodelling of the present bridge across the Mystic River between the city of Somerville and that part of the city of Medford known as Wellington, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, having been deposited in his office as required by law, was referred (with accompanying bill, House, No. 281) to the committee on Roads and Bridges and sent up for concurrence.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

Public schools,
— State appro-
priation.

On motion of Mr. Newton of Everett, the Bill to authorize a State appropriation for the support of public schools, was taken from the files of last year and was referred to the committee on Education. (House, No. 301.)

State normal
schools, —
degrees.

On motion of Mr. Trow of Salem, the petition of C. E. Trow that the State Board of Education may be authorized to confer degrees on graduates of the State normal schools, was taken from the files of last year and (with accompanying bill, House, No. 302) was referred to the committee on Education.

City of Boston,
— water depart-
ment and
charges.

On motion of Mr. Stewart of Boston, the petition of Walter L. Sears for legislation to require the city of Bos-

ton to furnish water for domestic purposes without charge and to provide a more equitable method of supporting and maintaining the water department of said city, was taken from the files of last year and (with accompanying bill, House, No. 303) was referred to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Ordered, That the committee on Education be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of its duties. Committee on Education, — travel.

A Bill to provide for the completion of the hospital building at the house of correction in Cambridge (Senate, No. 5) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. County of Middlesex, — house of correction in Cambridge.

A Resolve to authorize the Treasurer and Receiver-General to borrow money in anticipation of revenue (printed as House, No. 161) (introduced on leave in the House), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading. Treasurer and Receiver-General.

The House petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 236) of George S. Evans, secretary of the board of trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, for an appropriation toward the maintenance of said home, referred by the House to the joint committee on Ways and Means, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs. On motion of Mr. Marden of Stoneham, the House receded from its reference to the joint committee on Ways and Means, and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the committee on Military Affairs, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly. Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 38) of Hosea M. Quinby and others for legislation to afford greater protection to game and game birds and to prevent their extermination by hunting upon the Lord's Day. To the committee on Fisheries and Game. Game and game birds.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
number of
licenses.

Petition of John J. Cady and others in aid of the petition of Charles F. Sargent and others for legislation repealing, under certain conditions, the law limiting the number of licenses to be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Reports of Committees.

Stables.

By Mr. Sands of Boston, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 112) of Thomas Mellon for legislation relative to the licensing of stables. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the committee on Ways and Means, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for expenses in the office of the court of registration. (House, No. 300.)

Id.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the same committee, on a special report of the Auditor of Accounts (House, No. 230), in part, a Bill making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1898. (House, No. 299.)

Id.

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses. (House, No. 298.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Deceased persons, — insolvent estates.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to insolvent estates of deceased persons (House, No. 15) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

City of Boston,
— pedlars.

On motion of Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 25) of John F. Wood relating to the selling of articles in the streets and from house to house in the city of Boston, was taken from the table and was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Commissioners of Savings Banks ; Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Secretary of the Commonwealth ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the judicial department of the Commonwealth ;

Making appropriations for the payment of annuities to soldiers and others ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the State Library ;

Making an appropriation for the Worcester Polytechnic Institute ;

Making an appropriation for current expenses at the Medfield Insane Asylum ;

Making an appropriation for the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind ;

Making an appropriation for the payment of premiums on securities purchased for the Massachusetts School Fund ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the inspectors of gas meters ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Reformatory Prison for Women ;

Making an appropriation for the removal of wrecks from tide waters ;

Making appropriations for the salary and expenses of the General Superintendent of Prisons ;

Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded ;

Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association ;

Making an appropriation for the salary of the Assayer and Inspector of Liquors ;

Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts School Fund ;

Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts Institute of Technology ;

Making appropriations for the compensation and expenses of the Ballot Law Commission ;

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Berkshire to borrow a sum of money for the purpose of paying a part of the indebtedness of said county ; and

Making appropriations for sundry miscellaneous expenses authorized by law ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The Bill to authorize the Vesper Boat Club and the Lowell Country Club to consolidate (House, No. 118) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Wayland to refund a portion of its indebtedness (House, No. 19) ; and

To legalize certain proceedings of the town of Becket (House, No. 239) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 65) of Samuel W. Abbott, secretary of the State Board of Health, for an increase of salary, was considered.

Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, in concurrence, Mr. White of Somerville moved that it be postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, which motion was lost, by vote of 52 to 76, and the report was accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth (House, No. 272) was read a second time and considered.

After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Fitts of Somerville.

On the question on ordering the bill to a third reading the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Hayes of Lowell, and the roll being called the bill was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 91 yeas to 82 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles H.
Andrews, David B.
Bennett, Frank P.
Brigham, William M.
Brown, Henry L.
Burgess, Albert H.

Messrs. Burrington, Lester L.
Bushnell, S. Hopkins
Carey, James F.
Careleton, George H.
Chadwick, N. Henry
Chase, Henry L.

Messrs.Coolidge, Daniel S.
 Corey, Charles V.
 Crosby, Alfred R.
 Dalton, J. Frank
 Davis, William R.
 Dean, George Z.
 Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
 Eddy, Curtis
 Ellsworth, J. Lewis
 Estes, Eugene B.
 Fisher, George E.
 Fitts, Frank E.
 Fitzgerald, William T. A.
 Folsom, Albert T.
 Foster, Frank A.
 Frost, Archie N.
 Gartland, John J., Jr.
 Green, Thomas H.
 Grimes, James W.
 Hagberg, John G.
 Harvell, Elisha T.
 Harvie, Robert B.
 Harwood, George F.
 Harwood, Herbert J.
 Haskins, Leander M.
 Heath, Guilford P.
 Hunt, James
 Judd, William E.
 Keith, Charles P.
 Keyou, Nicholas B.
 Leland, Francis
 Leslie, George F.
 Libby, John F.
 Litchfield, William C.
 Luce, Robert
 Marchesseault, Eugene D.
 Marden, William H.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
 Mead, Edward C.
 Miller, Charles H.

Messrs.Minihan, Cornelius
 Morse, Merrick A.
 Munroe, John P.
 Myers, James J.
 Newton, H. Huestis
 Newton, Phinehas S.
 Odlin, William
 Persons, Charles H.
 Pike, William T.
 Porter, Thomas F.
 Puffer, Hebert C.
 Ramsdell, Charles H.
 Robinson, Lewis D.
 Rounseville, Albert
 Sands, Edward P.
 Scates, Louis M.
 Severance, Joseph C.
 Shaw, Nathan W.
 Sheppard, Eben W.
 Simmons, Arthur A.
 Skinner, Henry R.
 Smith, Charles F. A.
 Stalker, Hugh L.
 Stanley, Benjamin F.
 Stone, Willmore B.
 Tatman, Charles T.
 Toland, John I.
 Tolman, William
 Toomey, John J.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Turtle, William
 Twombly, Horatio F.
 Wallace, S. Ives
 Watson, Walter S.
 Wentworth, Edward E.
 Whipple, John J.
 White, Horace C.
 Williams, George F.
 Wood, Alva S.

NAYS.

Messrs.Ainsworth, Wilfred
 Ames, Butler
 Apsey, Albert S.
 Balcom, George
 Bleiler, John
 Bresnahan, Hugh W.
 Bridgeo, William
 Briggs, Clarence A.

Messrs.Brooks, Charles C.
 Bugbee, Nelson A.
 Bullock, William J.
 Campbell, Andrew
 Chandler, Leonard B.
 Cluer, Arthur H.
 Conroy, Thomas A.
 Crosby, J. Howell

Messrs. Cullinane, Richard	Messrs. Marchant, Charles S.
Daly, William	McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
Davenport, William A.	McLoughlin, William I.
Dean, Benjamin C.	Mellen, James H.
Donahue, Thomas	Mills, Charles P.
Donovan, Edward J.	Minton, John M.
Donovan, Eugene E.	Moore, James S.
Donovan, James H.	Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
Dooling, Thomas J.	Neal, David
Douglass, John J.	Paton, Alexander S.
Drake, Frederic P.	Queeney, James H.
Dyer, George N.	Quigley, William J.
Feiker, William H.	Ray, Albert H.
Flanagan, John J.	Reed, Silas D.
Gaddis, Michael E.	Root, Albert B.
Grant, Oliver S.	Ross, Samuel
Harlow, Franklin P.	Russell, Arthur P.
Hayes, William H. I.	Smith, Allen F.
Hopewell, William	Smith, Charles G.
Horton, Henry T.	Spooner, Wallace
Howard, Robert	Sprague, Eugene H.
Howland, Charles W.	Stone, Silas A.
Howland, Willard	Sullivan, Timothy F.
Huntress, Franklin E.	Swift, William S.
Kane, Daniel J.	Trow, Charles E.
Kavenaugh, John E.	Twomey, Edmund J.
Kells, William, Jr.	Upton, Charles H.
King, Charles F.	Varney, George E.
Lanergan, John P.	Wells, Abelard E.
Learoyd, Addison P.	Weston, Walter S.
Lockhart, Alexander	Whall, Harry B.
Love, Joseph P.	Wheeler, William D.
Lowe, John H.	Whelan, John B.

91 yeas ; 82 nays. .

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Adams, Austin F.	Messrs. Battles, David W.*
Montgomery, James A.*	Francis, Frank W.
Cole, Samuel *	Dillon, Thomas J.
Willard, Edward E.*	Sullivan, Michael J.
Kyle, William S.	Mahoney, David A.*

* Present.

On motion of Mr. Marden of Stoneham, at twenty-eight minutes past four o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 27, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Vacancies on Committees Filled.

The Speaker appointed Mr. Dillon of Holyoke to fill the vacancy on the committee on Elections; Mr. Kavenagh of Montague to fill the vacancy on the committee on Constitutional Amendments; Mr. Williams of Foxborough to fill the vacancy on the committee on Labor; Mr. Clerke of Boston to fill the vacancy on the committee on Libraries; and Mr. Crosby of Arlington to fill the vacancy on the committee on Taxation.

Committee
vacancies filled.*Introduced on Leave.*

The following bills, introduced on leave, were severally read and referred:—

By Mr. Chandler of Somerville, a Bill relative to the inspection of milk. (House, No. 329.) To the committee on Agriculture.

Milk.

By Mr. Turner of Malden, a Bill relative to park commissioners. (House, No. 330.)

Park commis-
sioners.

By Mr. Toomey of Boston, a Bill relative to the leasing of buildings and the granting of concessions by the park commissioners of Boston. (House, No. 332.)

City of Boston,
— park com-
missioners.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, a Bill relative to the election of aldermen in the city of Boston. (House, No. 331.)

City of Boston,
— election of
aldermen.

By Mr. Root of Boston, a Bill relative to the registration of voters in the city of Boston. (House, No. 333.)

City of Boston,
— registration
of voters.

By Mr. Hancock of Brockton, a Bill making the State election day a half-holiday. (House, No. 334.)

State election
day.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

By Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, a Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game. (House, No. 335.) To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Commissioners
on inland fish-
eries and game.

Labor, —
public works.

By Mr. Daly of Lawrence, a Bill relative to laborers on public works. (House, No. 336.)

Id.

By Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, a Bill to abolish the contract system on public works. (House, No. 337.)

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Intoxicating
liquors, — objec-
tions of real
estate owners.

By Mr. Dumond of Boston, a Bill relative to the rights of owners of real estate in the matter of granting liquor licenses. (House, No. 338.) To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Cities and
towns, — gas
and electric
plants.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, a Bill relative to the purchase of gas and electric plants by cities and towns. (House, No. 339.) To the committee on Manufactures.

Foreign
corporations, —
licenses.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, a Bill relative to licensing foreign corporations. (House, No. 340.) To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Compensation
of commission-
ers appointed
to assess dam-
ages.

By Mr. Smith of Waltham, a Bill relative to the compensation of commissioners appointed to assess damages in certain cases. (House, No. 341.) To the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Practice of
pharmacy.

By Mr. Stewart of Boston, a Bill relative to the practice of pharmacy. (House, No. 342.) To the committee on Public Health.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

City of Haver-
hill, — superin-
tendent of
highways.

By Mr. Scates of Haverhill, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 306) of the mayor of the city of Haverhill for legislation to provide for the election of the superintendent of highways in said city.

Streets, — use of,
for conduits for
refrigeration.

By Mr. Crosby of Arlington, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 307) of Walter L. Hill for legislation to authorize and regulate the use of streets for distributing artificial cold and refrigerating materials.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

City of Fall
River, — textile
school.

By Mr. Donahue of Fall River, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 308) of Thomas Donahue and Frank P. Bennett for an appropriation for a textile school in the city of Fall River. To the committee on Education.

Commissioners
on Inland
Fisheries and
Game, — fish-
ways.

By Mr. Francis of New Bedford, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 309) of the Southern Massachu-

setts Fish and Game League that the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game may be authorized to reconstruct fishways, or build new ones, and take land for said purposes.

By Mr. Crosby of Attleborough, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 311) of Charles C. Peck for legislation to make uniform the time within which the taking of certain birds and game is prohibited.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Crosby of Barnstable, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 312) of Benjamin F. Gibby for legislation to authorize the construction of a channel from East Bay in the town of Barnstable to Vineyard Sound.

Town of Barnstable,—channel from East Bay to Vineyard Sound.

By Mr. Boylston of Princeton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 313) of Charles T. Tatman and others for legislation to establish the Wachusett Mountain State Reservation Commission.

Wachusett Mountain State Reservation Commission.

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

By Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 314) of William T. A. Fitzgerald for legislation to fix the liability for personal injuries caused by falls on snowy or icy sidewalks.

Sidewalks,—personal injuries.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 315) of Annie W. Killam for legislation relative to the duties of special commissioners.

Special commissioners.

By Mr. Stewart of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 316) of Edward A. Perkins for legislation relative to an equitable process after judgment in certain cases.

Equitable process after judgment.

By Mr. Bresnahan of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 317) of Ralph W. Gloag for legislation to abolish entry fees and other charges in bastardy cases.

Bastardy cases,—fees and charges.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition of Charles Francis Adams and others; by Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, petition of James B. Thayer and others; by Mr. Feiker of Northampton, petition of Frances Parkman and others; and by Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition of Henry W. Haynes and others,—severally, in aid of the Bill to provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws.

Province Laws.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Hospital nurses
and attendants.

By Mr. Dean of Brookline, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 318) of Augustus Bedford and others for legislation to regulate the hours of labor of hospital nurses and attendants and to designate the location of their sleeping apartments. To the committee on Labor.

Intoxicating
liquors, — trans-
portation into
no-license cities
and towns.

By Mr. Upson of Easthampton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 319) of Charles H. Upson for legislation relative to the transportation of liquors into no-license cities and towns. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Metropolitan
Park Commis-
sioners, — shore
drive in Lynn.

By Mr. Porter of Lynn, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 320) of Elihu B. Hayes and others for legislation to enable the Metropolitan Park Commission to acquire certain land in the city of Lynn for a shore walk or drive.

City of Boston,
— authority of
city council.

By Mr. Lomasney of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 322) of Martin M. Lomasney for legislation to authorize the city council of the city of Boston to examine witnesses in certain cases and obtain information from heads of departments in said city.

City of Boston,
— authority of
common coun-
cil.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 323) of the president of the common council of the city of Boston for legislation to authorize said council to compel the attendance of certain witnesses and obtain information from heads of departments in said city.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Jails and houses
of correction.

By Mr. Grimes of Reading, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 324) of William Lawrence and others for legislation to provide for the control of jails and houses of correction by the Commonwealth. To the committee on Prisons.

County of
Hampshire, —
assistant
register of
probate and
insolvency.

By Mr. Feiker of Northampton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 326) of Hubbard M. Abbott and others for legislation to provide for the appointment of an assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Hampshire. To the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Street railway
fares.

By Mr. Eddy of West Bridgewater, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 328) of George W. Allen for legislation relative to fares on street railways. To the committee on Street Railways.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

The following petitions, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, having been deposited in his office as required by law, were severally referred:—

Petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 321) of the Boston Terminal Company for legislation relative to the extension and construction of Cove street in the city of Boston. To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

City of Boston,
— Cove street.

Petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 327) of J. H. Benton, Jr., for legislation relative to the alteration of grade crossings and the location of railroad stations and grounds in the city of Boston and towns of Hyde Park and Dedham. To the committee on Railroads.

New York,
New Haven
and Hartford
Railroad Com-
pany, — grade
crossings and
stations.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Westfield, the petition of Judson Strong, Jr., and others for legislation to provide for the construction of a new bridge across the Connecticut River between the city of Springfield and the town of West Springfield, was taken from the files of last year, and (with accompanying bill, House, No. 343) was referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges and sent up for concurrence.

Connecticut
River, — bridge
from Springfield
to West Spring-
field.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on so much of the fifty-sixth annual registration report (Pub. Doc. No. 1) as relates to births, marriages and deaths and to the returns of medical examiners, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Births, mar-
riages and
deaths; returns
of medical ex-
aminers.

The House Bill to amend the charter of the Hampden Savings Bank (House, No. 29) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Hampden
Savings Bank.

A Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the distribution of the street railway taxes of 1898 (Senate, No. 40) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Taxation.

Street railway
taxes.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 41) of Charles L. Morgan and Mary H. Hunt for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools so as to more fully define the schools in which they shall be taught, the methods of instruction and the character of text-books ; to provide penalties for non-compliance with the requirements of the law ; to provide for the supervision of the instruction ; and to provide for the enforcement of the law. To the committee on Education.

Woman
suffrage, —
municipal
elections.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 46) of B. G. Chapman and others that women may vote in municipal elections. To the committee on Election Laws.

Reconsideration.

Board of
Agriculture, —
salary of
secretary's
second clerk.

On motion of Mr. Salter of Lynn, the vote whereby the House, yesterday, referred to the committee on Agriculture the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 275) of Howard N. Legate for legislation to establish the salary of the second clerk of the secretary of the Massachusetts State Board of Agriculture, was reconsidered, and on further motion of the same gentleman, the petition was referred to the committee on Public Service and sent up for concurrence.

Insurance
Commissioner,
— State control
of life and fire
insurance.

Mr. Carey of Haverhill moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the order relative to instructing the Insurance Commissioner to inquire whether the Commonwealth might not, to the advantage of the public, assume the business of life and fire insurance within its limits, which motion, after debate, was lost by a vote of 22 to 92.

Reports of Committees.

Massachusetts
District Police,
— forfeited
liquors.

By Mr. Estes of Brockton, from the committee on the Liquor Law, no legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of the Chief of the Massachusetts District Police (Pub. Doc. No. 32) as relates to the disposition of forfeited liquors. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Estes, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Stanley of Newburyport, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 38) of Henry P. Kennedy, clerk of the municipal court of the Brighton district of the city of Boston, for an increase of salary. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

City of Boston,
— salary of
clerk of Bright-
on municipal
court.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the payment of the tuition of children attending school outside of the town in which they reside. (House, No. 344.)

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Paton of Leominster, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for expenses in connection with the topographical survey and map of Massachusetts. (House, No. 345.)

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the State Board of Insanity. (House, No. 346.)

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the State Fire Marshal. (House, No. 347.)

By Mr. Campbell of Westfield, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to extend the time for the filing of applications for bounties to Massachusetts soldiers (House, No. 67) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 348.)

Bounties, —
applications for.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the Insurance Commissioner ;

Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General ;

Making an appropriation for certain improvements at the State Almshouse ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the District Police ; and

To change the name of the Second Evangelical Society in Lancaster ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

Gypsy moth.

On motion of Mr. Fisher of Amherst, the Bill making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth (House, No. 272) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 112) of Thomas Mellon for legislation relative to the licensing of stables, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to insolvent estates of deceased persons (House, No. 15) ;

Making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses (House, No. 298) ;

Making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1898 (House, No. 299) ;

Making appropriations for expenses in the office of the court of registration (House, No. 300) ; and

To provide for the completion of the hospital building at the house of correction in Cambridge (Senate, No. 5) ; and

The Resolve to authorize the Treasurer and Receiver-General to borrow money in anticipation of revenue (printed as House, No. 161) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the Vesper Boat Club and the Lowell Country Club to consolidate (House, No. 118)

was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill making appropriations for the salaries of employees and for other necessary expenses in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms (House, No. 140) was considered, and after debate the pending amendment, moved by Mr. Marden of Stoneham, was rejected, by a vote of 43 to 84, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Kyle of Plymouth, at twelve minutes before two o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, January 30, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by Reverend Lewis B. Bates of Boston.

Order.

The consideration of the following order, offered by Mr. Carey of Haverhill, was postponed until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Reed of Taunton:—

Metropolitan
water system,—
ice plants.

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Water Board is hereby authorized to investigate and report as to the practicability and advisability of establishing ice plants and taking ice from the reservoirs and ponds of the metropolitan water system, in order to furnish ice at cost to the inhabitants of the metropolitan district.

Annual Report, etc.

Harbor and
Land Commis-
sioners.

The annual report of the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 11), received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands and sent up for concurrence.

Auditor of
Accounts,—
abstract of
report.

The abstract of the annual report of the Auditor of Accounts (House, No. 325) was received and was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Introduced on Leave.

The following bills and resolves, introduced on leave, were severally read and referred:—

County
treasurers,—
deposits.

By Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, a Bill relative to deposits by county treasurers. (House, No. 384.) To the committee on Banks and Banking.

City councils,—
election of
city officers.

By Mr. Donovan of Taunton, a Bill relative to the election of city officers by city councils. (House, No. 372.)

City of
Taunton,—
superintendent
of streets.

By the same gentleman, a Bill relative to the superintendent of streets in the city of Taunton. (House, No. 376.)

By Mr. Whall of Boston, a Bill relative to certain departments of the city of Boston. (House, No. 377.)

City of Boston,
— departments.

By Mr. Toland of Boston, a Bill to further regulate the inspection of buildings in the city of Boston. (House, No. 386.)

City of Boston,
— inspection of
buildings.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Whall of Boston, a Bill relative to the election of the mayor of the city of Boston. (House, No. 383.)

City of Boston,
— election of
mayor.

To the committee on Election Laws.

By Mr. Skillings of Boston, a Bill to change the method of electing aldermen in the city of Boston. (House, No. 387.) To the committees on Election Laws and Metropolitan Affairs, sitting jointly.

City of Boston,
— election of
aldermen.

By Mr. Hawes of Weymouth, a Bill to provide that the close season for duck shooting shall commence on the first day of March. (House, No. 394.) To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Duck, — close
season.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, a Bill making an appropriation for the repair and improvement of harbors. (House, No. 375.) To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Harbors, —
repair and im-
provement.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, a Bill relative to total losses upon fire insurance policies. (House, No. 389.)

Fire insurance
policies, — total
losses.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, a Bill relative to the admission and relicensing of mutual assessment life insurance corporations, and to provide for their regulation and the valuation of policies issued by such corporations and the maintenance of a reserve thereon. (House, No. 395.)

Mutual assess-
ment life insur-
ance companies.

Severally to the committee on Insurance.

By Mr. Frost of Lawrence, a Bill relative to the punishment for murder. (House, No. 380.)

Murder, —
punishment.

By Mr. Carey of Haverhill, a Bill to give to persons sentenced for contempt of court a right to trial by jury. (House, No. 381.)

Contempt of
court, — trial by
jury.

By Mr. Newton of Everett, a Bill relative to territorial jurisdiction in certain inquest proceedings. (House, No. 385.)

Inquest pro-
ceedings, —
territorial
jurisdiction.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Scates of Haverhill, a Bill to regulate the privileges of persons demanding interviews with employees. (House, No. 371.) To the committee on Labor.

Labor, —
interviews with
employees.

Corporations,—
examination
of books and
accounts.

By Mr. Blood of Fitchburg, a Bill to authorize the stockholders of any corporation to examine its books and accounts. (House, No. 374.) To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

City of
Worcester,—
high-level
sewer.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, a Resolve relative to a high-level sewer connecting the city of Worcester with the metropolitan sewerage system. (House, No. 382.) To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Soldiers and
sailors,—civil
service exemp-
tion.

By Mr. Kane of Boston, a Bill extending civil service exemption to veterans of the war with Spain. (House, No. 373.) To the committee on Military Affairs.

Public health.

By Mr. Dumond of Boston, a Bill to secure the better enforcement of the laws relative to the public health. (House, No. 366.)

Superior Court,
—medical ex-
perts.

By Mr. White of Somerville, a Bill relative to the appointment of medical experts as witnesses in the Superior Court. (House, No. 367.)

Judges of
probate and
insolvency.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, a Bill relative to the duties of judges of probate and insolvency. (House, No. 368.) Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

County of
Suffolk,—
house of
reformation.

By Mr. Twomey of Boston, a Bill relative to the house of reformation for the county of Suffolk. (House, No. 369.) To the committee on Prisons.

Registration in
pharmacy,—
examinations.

By Mr. Bullock of New Bedford, a Bill relative to the examination of applicants for registration in pharmacy. (House, No. 379.) To the committee on Public Health.

Street railway
companies,—
special fares.

By Mr. Murphy of Lawrence, a Bill to compel street railway companies to make special rates for the transportation of working men, working women and children attending school. (House, No. 365.) To the committee on Street Railways.

Taxation,—
soldiers and
sailors.

By Mr. Trow of Salem, a Bill relative to the exemption of the property of soldiers and sailors and their wives or widows from taxation. (House, No. 378.) To the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Mother of
James T.
Mahony, Jr.

By Mr. Bresnahan of Boston, a Resolve in favor of the mother of James T. Mahony, Jr. (House, No. 370.) To the committee on Ways and Means.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred :—

By Mr. Foster of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 350) of the board of park commissioners of the city of Boston for legislation relative to streets and lands in the neighborhood of parks, parkways and boulevards in said city. City of Boston,
— park lands.

By Mr. Scates of Haverhill, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 349) of Walter S. Hodgdon for the repeal of chapter 419 of the Acts of the year 1897 relative to the watering of streets in cities. Cities, — street
watering.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 398) of the mayor of the city of Brockton for legislation to exempt the city of Brockton from the operation of the law relative to the limit of the municipal debt and the rate of taxation in cities. City of
Brockton, —
debt limit and
tax rate.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 401) of the mayor of the city of Fitchburg for an amendment of the charter of said city relative to the management and control of the public streets and highways within its limits. City of
Fitchburg, —
streets and
highways.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Hagberg of Worcester, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 412) of the mayor of the city of Worcester for legislation relative to the payment of sewer assessments and other assessments on land of the Commonwealth in said city. To the committee on Drainage. City of
Worcester, —
assessments on
State land.

By Mr. Harvie of North Adams, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 359) of Franklin Carter and others for legislation to provide for the purchase of additional land for the State Normal School at North Adams. North Adams
Normal School.

By Mr. Munroe of Worcester, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 411) of Daniel W. Darling and Jasper T. Darling for legislation to reimburse them for losses sustained by them in the erection of certain buildings. Daniel W.
Darling and
Jasper T.
Darling.

Severally to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Hunt of Worcester, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 358) of the mayor of the city of City of
Worcester, —
voting lists.

Worcester for legislation relative to the preparation of voting lists in said city.

Caucuses, —
nomination of
certain candi-
dates by direct
vote.

By Mr. Langford of Newton, petition (with accompanying bills, House, Nos. 364 and 388) of John T. Langford for legislation to provide for the nomination of candidates for State and city officers by direct vote in caucuses.

Elections, —
recounts.

By Mr. Judd of Holyoke, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 399) of O. R. Miller and others for legislation relative to the recounting of ballots.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Dorchester Bay
life-saving
station.

By Mr. Toomey of Boston, petitions of the Mosquito Fleet Yacht Club, the Boston Yacht Club, the Columbia Yacht Club and the South Boston Yacht Club,—severally, in aid of the Resolution relative to the placing of a steam launch and search light at the life-saving station in Dorchester Bay.

Severally to the committee on Federal Relations.

Town of Essex,
— protection of
game.

By Mr. Hooper of Manchester, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 413) of Frank H. Richardson for legislation for the protection of small game in the town of Essex. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Town of
Barnstable, —
Lewis Bay.

By Mr. Crosby of Barnstable, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 392) of A. P. Eagleston and others for legislation to provide for the improvement of the channel in Lewis Bay in the town of Barnstable.

Town of
Harwich, —
Witchmere
harbor.

By Mr. Nickerson of Harwich, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 400) of the selectmen and others of the town of Harwich for legislation to authorize the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners to improve the channel forming the entrance to Witchmere harbor in said town.

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Pedling.

By Mr. Ross of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 352) of John F. Wood and others for legislation relative to the sale of articles in the streets and public ways and from house to house in this Commonwealth.

Corporations, —
mortgage and
lease of real
estate.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 390) of Richard W. Hale for legislation to authorize corporations to prescribe by their

by-laws the persons or officers in whom the power to convey, mortgage or lease their real estate shall be vested.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 402) of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Massachusetts for legislation to enable women to vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Woman
suffrage, —
license question.

By Mr. Donahue of Fall River, petition of Sandy Harrison and others in aid of the Bill relative to the inspection of steam boilers. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Steam boilers, —
inspection.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 404) of the secretary of the Metropolitan Park Commission for legislation to define the rights and duties of said commission from and after the first day of January in the year 1900.

Metropolitan
Park Commission, — rights
and duties.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 405) of Willard Howland for legislation to authorize the construction of a parkway in the town of Revere and the cities of Chelsea and Everett.

Parkway in
Revere, Chelsea
and Everett.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 406) of the directors of the Real Estate Exchange and Auction Board for legislation to amend chapter 426 of the Acts of the year 1897 relative to the sewerage works of the city of Boston.

City of Boston,
— sewerage
works.

By Mr. Ross of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 407) of Leonard W. Ross for legislation to enable the city of Boston to purchase or acquire certain land in Ward 25 of said city for park purposes.

City of Boston,
— park lands.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

By Mr. Ray of Ashland, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 362) of the selectmen of the town of Ashland for legislation to provide compensation to towns along the Sudbury River for damages caused by the construction of the water system of the city of Boston.

City of Boston,
— water supply
damages to
towns on the
Sudbury River.

By Mr. Boylston of Princeton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 408) of Charles W. Parker and others for compensation for damages in the town of Princeton occasioned by the construction of the metropolitan water system.

Town of
Princeton, —
water supply
damages.

Severally to the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly.

Michael
Scannell, —
bounty.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 354) of Michael Scannell that he may be paid a bounty from the treasury of the Commonwealth.

Bounties.

By Mr. Rounseville of Rochester, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 393) of Benjamin Gammons for legislation to provide for the payment of certain bounties by the Commonwealth.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Second Church
in Salem.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 356) of William H. Gove and Daniel A. Varney and others for legislation to authorize the Proprietors of the Independent Congregational Church in Barton Square in Salem, the East Church Society in Salem and the Second Church in Salem to unite in one corporation. To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Innholders, —
liability of.

By Mr. Andrews of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 351) of the Massachusetts Hotel Association for legislation relative to the liability of innholders for losses sustained by guests.

Innkeepers, —
defrauding of.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 403) of the Massachusetts Hotel Association for legislation relative to the defrauding of innkeepers.

Property, —
distribution and
descent.

By Mr. Haywood of Lynn, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 357) of Charles E. Haywood for a revision of the laws governing the distribution and descent of property.

Police court of
Lawrence.

By Mr. Currier of Methuen, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 391) of John C. Sanborn and others for legislation to change the name of the police court of Lawrence and to enlarge its jurisdiction.

City of Boston,
—playgrounds.

By Mr. King of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 396) of the board of park commissioners of the city of Boston for authority to take land by eminent domain for playgrounds.

Free employ-
ment offices.

By Mr. Bleiler of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 397) of Walter L. Sears for legislation to authorize the establishment and maintenance of free employment offices by the Commonwealth.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Massachusetts
Charitable Eye
and Ear In-
firmity.

By Mr. Ames of Lowell, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 361) of the Massachusetts Charitable

Eye and Ear Infirmary for an appropriation from the treasury of the Commonwealth. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

By Mr. Newton of Everett, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 363) of John W. Pettengill for legislation to establish the salary of the justice of the First District Court of Eastern Middlesex. First District Court of Eastern Middlesex, — salary of justice.

By Mr. Harvie of North Adams, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 415) of John Bracewell and others for legislation to establish the salary of the clerk of the District Court of Northern Berkshire. District Court of Northern Berkshire, — salary of clerk.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Twombly of Framingham, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 414) of Horatio F. Twombly for legislation relative to a highway and sidewalk over land of the Commonwealth at the State Muster Field at Framingham. To the committee on Roads and Bridges. Highway and sidewalk at State Muster Field.

By Mr. Porter of Lynn, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 360) of the mayor of the city of Lynn for legislation to authorize cities and towns to receive partial payments of taxes on undivided pieces of real estate. Taxes, — partial payments of, on real estate.

By Mr. Odlin of Andover, petitions of William H. Clark and others and James Anderson and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation relative to the taxation of certain property of educational institutions. Taxation, — educational institutions.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

By Mr. Stone of Sharon, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 355) of the selectmen of the town of Sharon for legislation to change the boundary line between the towns of Canton and Sharon in the county of Norfolk. Towns of Canton and Sharon, — boundary line.

By Mr. Odlin of Andover, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 409) of Matthew M. Merritt and others for legislation to authorize the town of Middleton to aid in the construction of a street railway. Town of Middleton, — street railway.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 410) of the selectmen of the town of Andover for legislation to unite under one board the water and sewer commissioners of said town. Town of Andover, — water and sewer commissioners.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, petition of the Fitchburg and Suburban Street Railway Company for authority to Fitchburg and Suburban Street Railway Company.

extend its tracks and to operate freight cars and to act as a common carrier. Mr. Reed of Taunton moved that the 9th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Marlborough
and West-
borough Street
Railway Com-
pany.

By Mr. Chase of Westborough, petition of the Marlborough and Westborough Street Railway Company for legislation to extend the time for the construction and operation of its railway. Mr. Stone of Springfield moved that the 9th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

The following petitions, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, having been deposited in his office as required by law, were severally referred: —

City of Boston,
— highways.

Petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 353) of L. Foster Morse and others for legislation relative to the laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston. To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Waltham, Ayer
and Pepperell
Street Railway
Company.

Petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 416) of Carl Dickinson and others for legislation to incorporate the Waltham, Ayer and Pepperell Street Railway Company. To the committee on Street Railways.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Needham and
Boston Street
Railway Com-
pany.

A Bill to authorize the Needham and Boston Street Railway Company to operate its railway over private property (printed as House, No. 25) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Frank L.
Garland.

A Resolve in favor of Frank L. Garland (Senate, No. 32) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Election of
United States
Senators.

Resolutions relative to the election of United States Senators (Senate, No. 47) were referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Federal Relations.

Mystic River, —
Wellington
bridge between
Somerville and
Medford.

The House petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 281) of John H. Powers and others for legislation to provide for the construction of a new bridge or for the remodeling of the present bridge across the Mystic River between the city of Somerville and that part of the city of Medford known as Wellington, referred by the House to

the committee on Roads and Bridges, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Mr. Turner of Malden moved that the House recede from its former action and concur with the Senate, which motion, after debate, was lost.

On motion of Mr. Grimes of Reading, the House insisted on its reference to the committee on Roads and Bridges, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 303) of Walter L. Sears for legislation to require the city of Boston to furnish water for domestic purposes without charge and to provide a more equitable method of supporting and maintaining the water department of said city, referred by the House to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly. On motion of Mr. White of Somerville, the House receded from its reference to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

City of Boston,
— water department and charges.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 45) of the county commissioners of the county of Norfolk and others for legislation providing for the better protection of county buildings and for the appointment of county police by county commissioners. To the committee on Counties.

County buildings and county police.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 48) of Orville D. Lovell for legislation extending the open season for shooting shelldrakes. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Shelldrakes, — open season.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 49) of the trustees of the public library of the city of Boston for authority to transfer the Harris collection of books from the Charlestown Public Library to the central library building. To the committee on Libraries and the joint committee on the Judiciary, sitting jointly.

City of Boston,
— Harris collection of books.

American
Order of
Druids.

Petition of John G. Gammons and others for legislation authorizing the American Order of Druids to hold its meetings outside the limits of the Commonwealth. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Charles River,—
bridge between
Boston and
Cambridge.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 42) of the Cambridge Bridge Commission for authority to construct the new bridge between Boston and Cambridge without a draw. To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Soldiers and
sailors,—
taxation.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 50) of Post No. 1, G. A. R., and other posts of the G. A. R. for legislation to lessen the burden of taxation upon certain soldiers and sailors and the wives and widows of such soldiers and sailors. To the committee on Taxation.

Reports of Committees.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the committee on Ways and Means, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for expenses in connection with enforcing the law to regulate the practice of pharmacy. (House, No. 417.)

Id.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the same committee, on a special report of the Auditor of Accounts (House, No. 230), a Bill in addition to an act making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1898. (House, No. 418.)

Id.

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for sundry educational expenses. (House, No. 419.)

Lemuel Burr.

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Lemuel Burr. (House, No. 195.)

City of Everett,
—sewerage
indebtedness.

By Mr. Drake of Canton, from the committee on Drainage, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Everett to incur indebtedness for sewerage purposes. (House, No. 208.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Guardians,—
sale and mort-
gage of real
estate.

By Mr. Libby of Medford, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to sales and mortgages of real estate by guardians (House, No. 84) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the second annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients (Pub. Doc. No. 61), in part, a Bill making appropriations for the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Massachusetts
Hospital for
Consumptives
and Tubercular
Patients.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Making an appropriation for the State House loans sinking fund ;

Making an appropriation for the prison and hospital loan sinking fund ;

Making an appropriation for the State highway loan sinking fund ;

Making an appropriation for the metropolitan parks loan sinking fund ;

Making appropriations for the payment of State and military aid and expenses in connection therewith ;

Making an appropriation for the harbor improvement loan sinking fund ;

Making an appropriation for current expenses at the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics ;

Making an appropriation for the Medfield Insane Asylum loan sinking fund ; and

Making appropriations for sundry agricultural expenses ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Bills enacted

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 38) of Henry P. Kennedy, clerk of the municipal court of the Brighton district of the city of Boston, for an increase of salary, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on so much of the fifty-sixth annual registration report (Pub. Doc. No. 1) as relates to births, marriages and deaths and to the returns of medical examiners, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Making an appropriation for the payment of the tuition of children attending school outside of the town in which they reside (House, No. 344) ;

Making an appropriation for expenses in connection with the topographical survey and map of Massachusetts (House, No. 345) ;

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the State Board of Insanity (House, No. 346) ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the State Fire Marshal (House, No. 347) ; and

To extend the time for the filing of applications for bounties to Massachusetts soldiers (House, No. 348) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Making appropriations for the salaries of employees and for other necessary expenses in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms (House, No. 140) ;

Making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses (House, No. 298) ; and

Making appropriations for expenses in the office of the court of registration (House, No. 300) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1898 (House, No. 299) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Whipple of Brockton.

The Bill to provide for the completion of the hospital building at the house of correction in Cambridge (Senate, No. 5) ; and

The Resolve to authorize the Treasurer and Receiver-General to borrow money in anticipation of revenue (printed as House, No. 161) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Balcom of Marlborough, at fifteen minutes before three o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 31, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

The consideration of the following order, offered by Mr. Crouch of Northampton, was postponed until tomorrow, at the request of Mr. Stone of Springfield:—

Ordered, That the State Fire Marshal be directed to investigate and report to this General Court, if possible, and if not to the next General Court, as to the best form of fire escapes for houses, factories, public halls and theatres; and for this purpose to give public notice that he will examine all models and plans that may be submitted to him, to the end that the best and latest devices and inventions relating to fire escapes may be passed upon.

State Fire
Marshal,—
fire escapes.

The order authorizing the Metropolitan Water Board to investigate and report as to the practicability and advisability of establishing ice plants and taking ice from the reservoirs and ponds of the metropolitan water system, in order to furnish ice at cost to the inhabitants of the metropolitan district, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, was considered.

Metropolitan
water system,—
ice plants.

Mr. Carey of Haverhill moved that it be laid on the table, which motion was lost.

After debate the order was rejected, by a vote of 57 to 76.

Annual Report.

The number of assessed polls, registered voters and persons who voted in each voting precinct at the State, city and town elections in the year 1898, with a statement of other matters relating to elections (Pub. Doc. No. 43), received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was referred to the committee on Election Laws and sent up for concurrence.

Elections,—
assessed polls,
registered
voters, etc.

Introduced on Leave.

The following bills and resolves, introduced on leave, were severally read and referred:—

Nurseries, —
inspection.

By Mr. Ross of Boston, a Bill to provide for the inspection of nurseries and to prevent the introduction or distribution of injurious insects. (House, No. 451.) To the committee on Agriculture.

Cities, — water-
ing of streets.

By Mr. Green of Boston, a Bill relative to the watering of streets in cities. (House, No. 420.)

Cities, — death
benefit and re-
tirement funds
for employees.

By Mr. Jeremiah F. McCarthy of Boston, a Bill to authorize cities to establish death benefit and retirement funds for their employees. (House, No. 421.)

Buildings, —
inspection.

By Mr. Paton of Leominster, a Bill relative to the inspection of buildings. (House, No. 436.)

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Lowell Normal
School.

By Mr. Ames of Lowell, a Resolve to provide suitable apparatus for the State Normal School at Lowell. (House, No. 422.)

Bridgewater
Normal School.

By Mr. Eddy of West Bridgewater, a Resolve in favor of the Bridgewater Normal School. (House, No. 423.)

Severally to the committee on Education.

Caucus and
election officers.

By Mr. Kane of Boston, a Bill forbidding caucus and election officers to divulge the preferences of voters. (House, No. 424.)

Id.

By the same gentleman, a Bill to prohibit the use of foreign languages by caucus and election officers. (House, No. 425.)

Caucuses, —
conduct.

By Mr. Dumond of Boston, a Bill to amend an act relative to the conduct of caucuses. (House, No. 426.)

Caucuses, —
counting of
ballots.

By the same gentleman, a Bill to amend an act relative to the counting of ballots at a caucus. (House, No. 427.)

Elections, —
order of names
and designa-
tions on the
official ballot.

By Mr. Keyou of Medford, a Bill relative to the order in which names of candidates and political designations shall be placed upon the official ballot in elections. (House, No. 446.)

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Clams.

By Mr. Horton of Rehoboth, a Bill to regulate the taking of clams. (House, No. 438.) To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Labor organiza-
tions and trades
unions, —
benefits.

By Mr. Carey of Haverhill, a Bill to allow labor organizations and trades unions to pay sick and death benefits. (House, No. 447.)

By Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, a Bill relative to prudential and industrial insurance conducted on the assessment or level premium plan. (House, No. 448.) Prudential and industrial insurance.

By Mr. Murphy of Lawrence, a Bill relative to fire insurance companies. (House, No. 452.) Fire insurance companies.

Severally to the committee on Insurance.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, a Bill relative to registering and confirming titles to land. (House, No. 439.) Land titles.

By Mr. Johnson of Worcester, a Bill for the further protection of trade marks. (House, No. 440.) Trade marks.

By Mr. Davis of Amesbury, a Bill relative to the legal rate of interest. (House, No. 457.) Interest,—legal rate.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, a Bill to extend the application of the law relative to the weekly payment of wages. (House, No. 454.) To the committee on Labor. Labor,—weekly payment of wages.

By Mr. Kane of Boston, a Bill relative to certain offensive trades. (House, No. 437.) To the committee on Mercantile Affairs. Offensive trades.

By Mr. Ames of Lowell, a Resolve to provide a suitable drill shed for the mounted arms of the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia. (House, No. 429.) Militia,—drill shed.

By Mr. Fitts of Somerville, a Bill relative to the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia. (House, No. 431.) Militia.

By Mr. Kane of Boston, a Bill to provide for State pay for soldiers and sailors who were mustered into the service of the United States within ninety days preceding the declaration of hostilities. (House, No. 441.) Soldiers and sailors,—State pay.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Ames of Lowell, a Bill to provide for the extension of the Bertillon method of identification of criminals. (House, No. 430.) To the committee on Prisons. Identification of criminals,—Bertillon method.

By Mr. Kane of Boston, a Bill to abolish the act concerning habitual criminals. (House, No. 428.) Habitual criminals.

By Mr. Dean of Brookline, a Bill relative to legacies. (House, No. 442.) Legacies.

By Mr. Lockhart of Fall River, a Bill to establish a sitting of the Superior Court for the county of Bristol in the city of Fall River. (House, No. 453.) County of Bristol,—superior court.

By Mr. Carey of Haverhill, a Bill relative to evidence in actions for personal injuries and death. (House, No. 450.) Evidence in certain actions.

Right of action
in certain cases.

By the same gentleman, a Bill giving a right of action for personal injury or death. (House, No. 449.)

Corporations, —
bonds of em-
ployees.

By Mr. Scates of Haverhill, a Bill to prohibit corporations from requiring bonds of their employees in certain cases. (House, No. 455.)

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Freight cars, —
equipment.

By Mr. Crouch of Northampton, a Bill relative to the equipment of freight cars. (House, No. 444.) To the committee on Railroads.

Street railway
companies, —
mail and
express.

By Mr. Paton of Leominster, a Bill to authorize street railway companies to carry mail and express matter. (House, No. 443.) To the committee on Street Railways.

Taxation, —
newspaper
plants.

By Mr. Crouch of Northampton, a Bill to exempt newspaper plants from taxation. (House, No. 445.) To the committee on Taxation.

Towns, —
records.

By Mr. Hawes of Weymouth, a Bill to authorize towns to print and publish their town records. (House, No. 456.) To the committee on Towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred: —

Agricultural
fairs, —
prizes for
live stock.

By Mr. Wells of Peabody, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 475) of Francis H. Appleton for legislation to authorize the State Board of Agriculture to offer prizes at agricultural fairs for the encouragement of the breeding of a high quality of live stock. To the committee on Agriculture.

Manufacturers
Trust Com-
pany.

By Mr. Judd of Holyoke, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 487) of the Manufacturers Trust Company of Holyoke for authority to remove its principal place of business to the city of Boston and to purchase and hold real estate in said city for the transaction of its business. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

City of
Boston, —
highway
assessments.

By Mr. Gilpatric of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 464) of Frank E. Gilcrease and others for legislation to authorize the city of Boston to abate a portion of certain assessments for the construction of highways.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 465) of Arthur A. Averille for legislation relative to the school committee of the city of Salem. City of Salem,—
school committee.

By Mr. Wheeler of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 476) of William D. Wheeler for legislation to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Charles Bulle, late an employee in the sewer division of the street department of said city. City of Boston,—
widow of Charles Bulle.

By Mr. Turner of Malden, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 477) of the mayor of the city of Malden that said city may be authorized to incur additional indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for park purposes. City of Malden,—
indebtedness for parks.

By Mr. Johnson of Worcester, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 478) of the mayor of the city of Worcester for legislation relative to the alteration of Belmont and Shrewsbury streets over land of the Commonwealth in said city. City of Worcester,—
Belmont and Shrewsbury streets.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 494) of John Mason Little for an amendment of chapter 210 of the Acts of the year 1898 relative to the plotting and laying out of streets in the city of Boston. City of Boston,—
streets.

By Mr. Lockhart of Fall River, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 509) of the mayor of the city of Fall River for legislation to revise the charter of said city. City of Fall River,—
revision of charter.

By Mr. Munroe of Worcester, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 510) of the mayor of the city of Worcester for legislation to authorize the assessment of a portion of the expense of watering streets in said city upon street railway companies. City of Worcester,—
street watering assessments.

By Mr. Balcom of Marlborough, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 511) of the mayor of the city of Marlborough for legislation to grant said city larger powers relative to drains and water courses within its limits. City of Marlborough,—
drains and water courses.

By Mr. Dean of Wakefield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 516) of John F. Mahoney and others for legislation to authorize cities and towns to regulate the discharge of water from buildings so as to protect sidewalks. Buildings,—
protection of sidewalks from water from.

City of Boston,
— streets.

By Mr. King of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 517) of Roswell S. Barrows for legislation relative to the plotting and laying out of streets in the city of Boston.

Cities, — water-
ing of streets.

By Mr. Foster of Boston, petition of Hazard Stevens and another in aid of legislation for the repeal of chapter 419 of the Acts of the year 1897 relative to the watering of streets in cities.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Constitutional
amendment, —
woman suffrage.

By Mr. Paton of Leominster, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 466) of Frances H. Drake, Elmer E. Watson and others for an amendment to the Constitution striking out the word “male” from the qualifications of voters. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Unlicensed
dogs, — penalty.

By Mr. Langford of Newton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 432) of John C. Kennedy and others for legislation relative to the penalty for keeping unlicensed dogs. To the committee on Counties.

Political
committees, —
rights, duties
and powers.

By Mr. Morrison of Fall River, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 433) of the Republican City Committee of Fall River for legislation to more clearly define the rights, duties and powers of political committees.

Election laws, —
perfection.

By Mr. Sands of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 434) of Richard L. Gay for legislation for the amendment and perfection of the election laws of the Commonwealth.

Caucuses.

By Mr. Swift of Tisbury, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 467) of Frank M. Forbush and others for legislation relative to caucuses other than those of political parties.

Political parties.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 468) of Frederick W. Clark and others for legislation relative to political parties which poll at least 1,000 votes for Governor.

Candidates, —
nomination by
conventions.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 479) of Herbert M. Small for legislation relative to nominations of candidates by conventions.

Candidates, —
filling of
vacancies.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 480) of Albert B. Coats for legislation relative to filling vacancies in case of ineligibility, death or withdrawal of candidates.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 512) of Heman S. Fay and others for legislation relative to the preservation of birds and game. To the committee on Fisheries and Game. Birds and game.

By Mr. Rounseville of Rochester, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 481) of the selectmen of the towns of Mattapoisett, Marion, Wareham and Rochester for legislation to provide that the cost of relocating and widening the old bridge over the Acushnet River between the city of New Bedford and the town of Fairhaven shall not be borne by any towns or cities outside of the county of Bristol. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands. Acushnet River, — bridge between New Bedford and Fairhaven.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 485) of John Haskell Butler and others for legislation to extend the powers of fraternal beneficiary organizations. Fraternal beneficiary organizations.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 484) of Julius M. Swain and others for legislation relative to the emergency fund and investment securities of fraternal beneficiary organizations. Id.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 483) of Julius M. Swain and another for legislation to authorize the Insurance Commissioner to examine fraternal beneficiary organizations. Id.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 482) of Edward F. Danforth, Grand Master Workman, A. O. U. W., for legislation to permit the Grand Lodge of the A. O. U. W. of Massachusetts to continue affiliation with the Supreme Lodge of said order. Grand Lodge of the A. O. U. W. of Massachusetts.

By Mr. Toomey of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 469) of the chairman of the legislative committee of the Massachusetts Federation of Labor for legislation to exempt trades unions from the laws relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations. Fraternal beneficiary organizations, — trades unions.

Severally to the committee on Insurance.

By Mr. Crosby of Barnstable, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 435) of George W. Parks for legislation relative to preserving and enforcing liens. Liens.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 461) of the Manufacturers' and Bottlers' Collecting and Distributing Company for legislation to protect the owners of cans, bottles, boxes, siphons and fountains. Cans, bottles, boxes, siphons and fountains.

Courts of record, — limitation of action on judgments and decrees.

By Mr. Feiker of Northampton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 459) of Richard W. Irwin and others for legislation relative to the limitation of action on judgments and decrees of courts of record.

Labels and stamps.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 462) of Ezra R. Thayer and another for legislation to further protect manufacturers from the use of counterfeit labels and stamps.

Province Laws.

By the same gentleman, petition of John J. Currier and others in aid of the Bill to provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws.

Corporations, — special stock.

By Mr. Mills of Newburyport, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 470) of Charles P. Mills for legislation relative to the issue of special stock by corporations.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Labor, — settlement of disputes.

By Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 505) of Richard Cullinane for legislation relative to the settlement of disputes between employers and employees.

Labor, — hours of certain employees.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 518) of Richard Cullinane for legislation relative to the hours of labor of employees of certain corporations.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Town of Hull, — board of police.

By Mr. Goulding of Duxbury, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 501) of Edward G. Knight and others for legislation to provide for the establishment of a board of police for the town of Hull. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Gas and electric light companies, — State supervision.

By Mr. Andrews of Nantucket, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 458) of George H. Watson that chapters 450 and 476 of the Acts of the year 1894 be so amended as to place all unincorporated voluntary associations and companies engaged in the gas and electric light business under the supervision and jurisdiction of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.

Steel, — bounty for manufacture.

By Mr. Fitts of Somerville, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 472) of John W. Ayres for legislation to authorize the appointment of a commission to consider the advisability of paying a bounty for the manufacture of steel within the Commonwealth.

Severally to the committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. Minton of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 463) of John Good and another for legislation to authorize the Boston Catholic Cemetery Association to hold additional real and personal estate. Boston Catholic Cemetery Association.

By Mr. Davis of Amesbury, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 514) of J. R. Huntington and others for an act of incorporation as the Bartlett Cemetery Association. Bartlett Cemetery Association.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Fitts of Somerville, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 471) of John W. Ayres for legislation relative to the construction of a tunnel from Boston proper to East Boston. East Boston tunnel.

By Mr. Neal of Dedham, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 486) of Alfred C. Smith and others for legislation to authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to connect the town of Dedham with the metropolitan park system by the building of a boulevard or roadway. Metropolitan park system, — town of Dedham.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

By Mr. Heath of Northborough, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 495) of Charles W. Felt for compensation for damages caused by the construction of the metropolitan water system. To the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly. Charles W. Felt.

By Mr. Learoyd of Danvers, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 500) of Malcolm Sillars and another for legislation to authorize the payment of bounties to certain veterans of the town of Danvers. To the committee on Military Affairs. Town of Danvers, — bounties to certain veterans.

By Mr. Whall of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 488) of William Marshall for the appointment of three trustees of the First Baptist Meeting House of Dorchester, situated in Neponset village. First Baptist Meeting House of Dorchester.

By Mr. Neal of Dedham, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 502) of George A. French and others for legislation to change the name of the Third Parish of Dedham to the First Parish of Westwood. Third Parish of Dedham.

Severally to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Probate
bonds, — dis-
charge of
sureties.

By Mr. Gilpatric of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 489) of Howard K. Brown and another for legislation relative to the discharge of sureties on probate bonds.

Lawrence
Home for Aged
People, —
will of James
M. Wood.

By Mr. Carrier of Methuen, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 513) of Joseph Shattuck and others for legislation to authorize the trustees under the will of James M. Wood to convey an estate to the Lawrence Home for Aged People.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Insane persons,
— commit-
ment and con-
veyance.

By Mr. Twombly of Framingham, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 490) of the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital for legislation relative to the commitment and conveyance of insane persons to insane and lunatic hospitals and asylums.

Town of Rut-
land, — water
tower.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 492) of the selectmen of the town of Rutland for legislation to reimburse said town for the cost of building a water tower on land belonging to the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients.

Massachusetts
School for the
Feeble-minded,
— additional
land.

By Mr. Leslie of Waltham, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 503) of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded for an appropriation for the purchase of additional land.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Public health, —
protection.

By Mr. Jeremiah F. McCarthy of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 491) of Samuel H. Durgin for legislation for the further protection of the public health.

Cigarettes
and cigarette
tobacco.

By Mr. Seavey of Lynn, petition of E. M. Dolloff and others in aid of the petition for legislation to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes and cigarette tobacco.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

County of
Bristol, —
assistance for
treasurer.

By Mr. Reed of Taunton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 460) of the treasurer of the county of Bristol for authority to employ clerical assistance.

County of
Essex, —
salary of
judge of
probate and
insolvency.

By Mr. Haywood of Lynn, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 473) of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Essex for an increase of salary.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 474) of the assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Essex for an increase of salary. County of Essex,— salary of assistant register of probate and insolvency.

By Mr. Love of Webster, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 506) of Maurice P. Clare and others for legislation to establish the salary of the clerk of the First District Court of Southern Worcester. First District Court of Southern Worcester,— salary of clerk.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 515) of Edward W. Trull for legislation to establish the salary of the assistant clerk of the police court of Lowell. Police court of Lowell,— salary of assistant clerk.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Leland of Templeton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 504) of the selectmen of the town of Templeton for legislation to define more clearly what may be included in the cost of the abolition of grade crossings. To the committee on Railroads. Grade crossings,— cost of abolition.

By Mr. Feiker of Northampton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 493) of William H. Feiker for legislation to require street railway companies to enclose the platforms of their cars during certain months of the year. Street railway companies,— enclosed platforms on cars.

By Mr. Persons of Maynard, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 496) of Samuel Lawton and others for legislation to give to towns greater authority relative to the location of street railways, and for further legislation relative to the locations of street railways in towns. Towns,— location of street railways.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

By Mr. Luce of Somerville, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 499) of Robert Luce for legislation relative to the taxation of foreign corporations having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth. Taxation,— foreign corporations.

By Mr. Gilpatric of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 498) of Howard K. Brown and another for legislation to authorize the Treasurer and Receiver-General to adjust by compromise questions arising in relation to the taxation of collateral legacies and successions. Taxation,— collateral legacies and successions.

By Mr. Prindle of Williamstown, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 497) of Clarence M. Smith and Taxation,— literary and scientific institutions.

others for legislation to limit to State taxes the exemption of the properties of literary and scientific institutions.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Town of Nantucket, — chief of fire department.

By Mr. Andrews of Nantucket, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 507) of the selectmen and town clerk of the town of Nantucket for legislation to authorize said town to choose a chief of its fire department. To the committee on Towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

John O'Neill.

By Mr. Brown of North Adams, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 508) of John O'Neil for compensation for injuries received while in the employ of the Commonwealth. To the committee on Ways and Means.

Northampton and Amherst Street Railway Company, — Connecticut River bridge.

By Mr. Feiker of Northampton, petition of B. E. Cook, Jr., and other directors of the Northampton and Amherst Street Railway Company for legislation to authorize said company to construct a bridge over the Connecticut River between the city of Northampton and the town of Hadley. The same gentleman moved that the 9th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Town of Medway, — water supply.

By Mr. Williams of Foxborough, petition of a committee of the town of Medway for legislation to authorize said town to supply itself with water for fire and domestic purposes. Mr. Stone of Springfield moved that the 9th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

Cities, — proper organization.

On motion of Mr. Kane of Boston, the petition of the Municipal League of Boston for legislation providing for the appointment of a commission to investigate questions relating to the proper organization of cities, was taken from the files of last year and (with accompanying bill, House, No. 520) was referred to the committee on Cities.

Civil causes, — new trials.

On motion of Mr. Newton of Everett, the petition of H. Huestis Newton for legislation relative to new trials in civil causes, was taken from the files of last year and (with accompanying bill, House, No. 521) was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. White of Somerville, the report of the Metropolitan District Commission, was taken from the files of last year and was referred to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs. Metropolitan District Commission.

On motion of Mr. Dean of Wakefield, the Bill imposing a tax on legacies and successions and certain other transfers, and providing for the distribution of the proceeds of the same, was taken from the files of last year and was referred to the committee on Taxation. (House, No. 519.) Taxation, — legacies and successions.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, the petition of George W. Cook and others for the incorporation of the Mitchell's Falls Canal and Power Company, was taken from the files of last year. The same gentleman moved that the 9th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules. Mitchell's Falls Canal and Power Company.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 7) of George W. Perkins and others that certain call members of the Somerville fire department may have their names placed on the eligible list for appointment on the permanent force of said department without further examination, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. City of Somerville, — fire department.

The following bills, introduced on leave, were severally referred, in concurrence: —

Bill to authorize trust companies to act as executors and in other fiduciary capacities. (Senate, No. 51.) To the committee on Banks and Banking. Trust companies, — executors.

Bill to provide for more direct and certain voting at caucuses. (Senate, No. 52.) To the committee on Election Laws. Caucuses, — direct voting.

Bill relative to the foreclosure of mortgages. (Senate, No. 53.) To the joint committee on the Judiciary. Mortgages.

Bill relative to the licensing of barbers. (Senate, No. 54.) Barbers.

Bill relative to the public health in towns. (Senate, No. 55.) Towns, — public health.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Highways.

Bill relative to the laying out of highways. To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

**City of Lynn, —
nuisance on
Little River.**

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 56) of the mayor of the city of Lynn that the city may be authorized to borrow thirty thousand dollars outside the debt limit for abating the nuisance occasioned by a certain dam on Little River. To the committee on Cities.

**Worcester
Polytechnic
Institute.**

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 57) of the Worcester Polytechnic Institute that it may be reimbursed for certain expenses incurred in maintaining free scholarships. To the committee on Education.

**Suffolk County
senators.**

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 58) of John A. Keliber for legislation providing for nominating senators in Suffolk County by direct plurality vote.

**City of Boston,
— caucuses and
elections.**

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 59) of Henry D. Yeaton for revision and amendment of the laws relative to caucuses and elections and the assessment and registration of voters, also laws for the establishment of assessment and election districts and voting precincts in the city of Boston.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Ice dealers.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 60) of A. H. Sears & Company and others for legislation exempting ice dealers from the restrictions of the law relative to the licensing of pedlers.

**Highways, —
monuments to
mark historic
spots.**

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 61) of Herbert C. Parsons that authority be granted to cities and towns to permit the erection, within the limits of public highways, of monuments to mark historic spots, and that a penalty be provided for the destroying, injuring or defacing of such monuments.

**Registrars of
voters, —
liability.**

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 62) of Charles T. Duncklee and others for legislation to define the liability of registrars of voters to private action.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

**Worcester
Insane Asylum,
— electric light
plant.**

Petition (with accompanying resolve, Senate, No. 63) of the trustees of the Worcester Insane Asylum for an appropriation of twelve thousand dollars for supplying said asylum with an electric lighting system. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 64) of C. E. Achorn and others for legislation authorizing the practice of osteopathy. To the committee on Public Health. Practice of osteopathy.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 65) of John A. Keliher for legislation extending the benefit of the provisions of chapter 517 of the Acts of the year 1896 to soldiers and sailors who served in the army or navy of the United States in the late war with Spain. War with Spain, — exemptions from civil service act.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 66) of Charles C. Beale and others for an increase in the salaries of certain stenographers in the Superior Court for the county of Suffolk. Suffolk County Superior Court, — stenographers.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Crosby of Attleborough, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Natick to incur indebtedness for grade crossing purposes. Town of Natick, — indebtedness for grade crossings.
(House, No. 179.)

By Mr. Litchfield of Middleborough, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Arlington to refund a portion of its indebtedness. Town of Arlington, — indebtedness.
(House, No. 181.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill making appropriations for the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients ought to pass. (House, No. 522.) Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for the second reading. Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients.

By Mr. Burrington of Franklin, from the committee on Education, on the sixty-second annual report of the State Board of Education (Pub. Doc. No. 2), in part, a Bill to provide school registers and other school blanks for the towns and cities of the Commonwealth. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means. Public schools, — registers and other blanks.

Reconsideration.

On motion of Mr. Saunders of Boston, the vote whereby the House, yesterday, referred to the committee on the Liquor Law the petition (with accompanying bill, House, Woman suffrage, — license question.

No. 402) of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Massachusetts for legislation to enable women to vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses, was reconsidered, and on further motion of the same gentleman, the petition was referred to the committee on Election Laws and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys ;

Making an appropriation for the compensation of inspectors of animals and provisions ;

Relative to the amount of money to be advanced to the disbursing officer of the State Board of Insanity ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse ;

Making an appropriation for the abolition of grade crossings loan sinking fund ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Massachusetts State Prison ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm ; and

To amend the charter of the Hampden Savings Bank ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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Bills :

Relative to sales and mortgages of real estate by guardians (House, No. 84) ;

To authorize the city of Everett to incur indebtedness for sewerage purposes (House, No. 208) ;

Making an appropriation for expenses in connection with enforcing the law to regulate the practice of pharmacy (House, No. 417) ;

In addition to an act making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1898 (House, No. 418) ;

Making appropriations for sundry educational expenses (House, No. 419) ; and

To authorize the Needham and Boston Street Railway Company to operate its railway over private property (printed as House, No. 25); and

The Resolve in favor of Lemuel Burr (House, No. 195);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Making an appropriation for the payment of the tuition of children attending school outside of the town in which they reside (House, No. 344);

Making an appropriation for expenses in connection with the topographical survey and map of Massachusetts (House, No. 345);

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the State Board of Insanity (House, No. 346);

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the State Fire Marshal (House, No. 347); and

To extend the time for the filing of applications for bounties to Massachusetts soldiers (House, No. 348);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth (House, No. 272) was considered, the question being on passing it be engrossed.

Mr. Huntress of Somerville moved to amend section 1 as follows : —

In line 1, by striking out the word “thirty,” and inserting in place thereof the word “seventeen;” and

By striking out all after the word “one,” line 8, and inserting in place thereof the words “for the purpose of defraying the expenses incurred by the Gypsy Moth Commission during the month of January of the present year.”

After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Blood of Fitchburg.

On the question on the adoption of the amendment, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Hayes of Lowell, and the roll being called the amendment was rejected, by a vote 95 yeas to 98 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Ainsworth, Wilfred	Messrs. Apsey, Albert S.
Andrews, Richard F., Jr.	Balcom, George

Messrs. Bleiler, John
 Boylston, Ward N.
 Bresnahan, Hugh W.
 Bridgeo, William
 Briggs, Clarence A.
 Brooks, Charles C.
 Brown, Willard M.
 Bugbee, Nelson A.
 Campbell, Andrew
 Carey, James F.
 Clerke, Charles S.
 Cluer, Arthur H.
 Cook, Clifford A.
 Crosby, J. Howell
 Currier, Guy W.
 Daly, William
 Davenport, William A.
 Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
 Dillon, Thomas J.
 Donovan, James H.
 Donovan, Michael J.
 Dooling, Thomas J.
 Drake, Frederic P.
 Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
 Dumond, John B.
 Dyer, George N.
 Fitzgerald, William T. A.
 Francis, Frank W.
 Frost, Archie N.
 Gilpatric, Fred C.
 Hagberg, John G.
 Harlow, Franklin P.
 Hayes, William H. I.
 Henderson, Francis D.
 Horton, Henry T.
 Howard, Robert
 Howland, Charles W.
 Howland, Willard
 Huntress, Franklin E.
 Jones, Michael B.
 Kane, Daniel J.
 Kavenaugh, John E.
 Kells, William, Jr.
 King, Charles F.
 Litchfield, William C.
 Lockhart, Alexander

Messrs. Lomasney, Martin M.
 Lowe, John H.
 Mackey, Thomas
 Mahoney, David A.
 Mansfield, Matthew M.
 Marchant, Charles S.
 Marchesseault, Eugene D.
 McLoughlin, William I.
 Miller, Calvin S.
 Mills, Charles P.
 Minton, John M.
 Montgomery, James A.
 Moore, James S.
 Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
 Neal, David
 Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.
 Paton, Alexander S.
 Queeney, James H.
 Quigley, William J.
 Reed, Silas D.
 Ross, Leonard W.
 Ross, Samuel
 Russell, Arthur P.
 Saunders, Charles R.
 Scates, Louis M.
 Skillings, William E.
 Smith, Allen F.
 Smith, Charles G.
 Sparks, John T.
 Sprague, Eugene H.
 Stone, Silas A.
 Sullivan, Michael J.
 Sullivan, Timothy F.
 Toland, John I.
 Trow, Charles E.
 Twombly, Horatio F.
 Twomey, Edmund J.
 Varney, George E.
 Wells, Abelard E.
 Wentworth, Edward E.
 Weston, Walter S.
 Whall, Harry B.
 Wheeler, William D.
 Whelan, John B.
 Williams, George F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles H.
 Andrews, David B.

Messrs. Bennett, Frank P.
 Blood, Charles H.

Messrs. Brigham, William M.	Messrs. Leland, Francis
Brown, Henry L.	Libby, John F.
Burgess, Albert H.	Luce, Robert
Burrington, Lester L.	Marden, William H.
Bushnell, S. Hopkins	McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
Carleton, George H.	McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
Chadwick, N. Henry	McIsaac, Daniel V.
Chase, Henry L.	Mead, Edward C.
Conwell, Robert E.	Minihan, Cornelius
Coolidge, Daniel S.	Morrison, Andrew H.
Corey, Charles V.	Morse, Merrick A.
Crosby, Alfred R.	Munroe, John P.
Dalton, J. Frank	Myers, James J.
Davis, Daniel W.	Newton, H. Huestis
Davis, William R.	Newton, Phinehas S.
Dean, Charles A.	Odlin, William
Dean, George Z.	Parker, William C.
Donovan, Eugene E.	Persons, Charles H.
Dudley, George J.	Pike, William T.
Eddy, Curtis	Porter, Thomas F.
Ellsworth, J. Lewis	Powers, John A.
Estes, Eugene B.	Prindle, John F.
Farwell, Frederick W.	Puffer, Herbert C.
Fisher, George E.	Ramsdell, Charles H.
Folsom, Albert T.	Robinson, Lewis D.
Foster, Frank A.	Root, Albert B.
Gaddis, Michael E.	Rounseville, Albert
Goulding, Albert M.	Salter, William R.
Grant, Oliver S.	Sands, Edward P.
Green, Thomas H.	• Seavey, James F.
Grimes, James W.	Severance, Joseph C.
Harvell, Elisha T.	Shaw, Nathan W.
Harvie, Robert B.	Sheppard, Eben W.
Harwood, George F.	Skinner, Henry R.
Harwood, Herbert J.	Spooner, Wallace
Haskins, Leander M.	Stalker, Hugh L.
Hawes, Martin E.	Stanley, Benjamin F.
Haywood, Charles E.	Stone, Willmore B.
Heath, Guilford P.	Tatman, Charles T.
Hooper, Franklin K.	Tolman, William
Hopewell, William	Turner, Henry E.
Hunt, James	Turtle, William
Keith, Charles P.	Upson, Charles H.
Keyou, Nicholas B.	Wallace, S. Ives
Kyle, William S.	Watson, Walter S.
Lanergan, John P.	White, Horace C.
Langford, John T.	Wood, Alva S.

95 yeas ; 98 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Ames, Butler *	Messrs. Adams, Austin F.
Cullinane, Richard *	Simmons, Arthur A.
Fitts, Frank E.	Flanagan, John J. *
Miller, William J.	Gartland, John J., Jr. *
Douglass, John J. *	Harriman, Charles H.
Bullock, William J. *	Johnson, Charles R.
Conroy, Thomas A.	Miller, Charles H. *
Battles, David W. *	Willard, Edward E.
Judd, William E.	Feiker, William H. *
Dean, Benjamin C. *	Whipple, John J.
Litchfield, James A. *	Sisson, Robert S.

* Present.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 85 to 82, and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ross of Boston, at twenty-six minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 1, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from the Governor.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor:—

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, Feb. 1, 1899.

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives.

I transmit herewith for the consideration of your honorable bodies a "Report of the Commissioners appointed under Chapter 85 of the Resolves of the Legislature of 1897 to Investigate and Report upon a Plan for the Simplification of Criminal Pleadings, and to Prepare a Schedule of Forms to be used in Criminal Cases."

Message from the Governor, — simplification of criminal pleadings.

ROGER WOLCOTT.

The message was read, and, with the accompanying report, was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary and sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

The consideration of the following order, offered by Mr. Donahue of Fall River, was postponed until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Hayes of Lowell:—

Ordered, That a joint special committee be appointed to investigate the question of the ownership and control by the Commonwealth of telegraph and telephone lines.

Joint special committee, — State control of telegraph and telephone lines.

The following order, offered by Mr. Mackey of Boston, was referred, under the rule, to the joint committee on Rules:—

Ordered, That a joint special committee, to consist of seven members of the House of Representatives and such as the Senate may join, be appointed to report the present cost of the manufacture of gas in Boston, the cost of the distribution thereof, the amount of profit made thereon,

Joint special committee, — investigation of gas matters in the city of Boston.

the amount of the capital, securities and obligations, whether legal or illegal, now outstanding or offered for sale, based upon the gas business of Boston, and the amount of the profits, dividends and interest thereon paid, and what legislation is needed, if any, to enable the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners to fix the price at which gas shall be sold to the consumer and by one company to another, and to limit the profits which shall be made and the interest, profits or dividends which may be paid upon any and all securities or obligations based upon the gas business in Boston, and what legislation is needed, if any, to prevent, restrict and limit the securities or obligations which may be issued or sold based upon such gas business, and such other legislation, if any, as they may deem advisable in the premises; and that said committee have full authority and power to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of books and papers, and to employ a stenographer.

State Fire
Marshal, —
fire escapes.

The order directing the State Fire Marshal to investigate and report to this General Court, if possible, and if not to the next General Court, as to the best form of fire escapes for houses, factories, public halls and theatres, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, was rejected, by a vote of 8 to 13.

Mr. Crouch of Northampton moved to reconsider the vote whereby the order was rejected, which motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Annual Report.

Controller of
County Ac-
counts.

The twelfth annual report of the Controller of County Accounts (Pub. Doc. No. 29), received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was referred to the committee on Counties and sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

The following bills, introduced on leave, were severally read and referred: —

City of Boston,
— Mary A.
Davis.

By Mr. Toomey of Boston, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to Mary A. Davis. (House, No. 531.)

City of Boston,
— widow of
Edward Melia.

By Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Edward Melia. (House, No. 532.)

By Mr. Skillings of Boston, a Bill to require poles for wires in the city of Boston to be made of iron. (House, No. 562.) City of Boston, — iron poles for wires.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Sullivan of Boston, a Bill to amend section 17 of chapter 507 of the Acts of the year 1895 relative to the holding of caucuses in certain cities and towns. (House, No. 537.) Caucuses.

By Mr. Trow of Salem, a Bill relative to the nomination of candidates for municipal offices. (House, No. 536.) Municipal offices, — nominations.

By Mr. Kane of Boston, a Bill relative to the printing of official ballots. (House, No. 535.) Official ballots.

By the same gentleman, a Bill relative to voting lists. (House, No. 534.) Voting lists.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

By Mr. Keyou of Medford, a Bill relative to the preservation of quail. (House, No. 564.) To the committee on Fisheries and Game. Quail.

By Mr. Johnson of Worcester, a Bill relative to small loans and the redemption of the security therefor. (House, No. 541.) Small loans.

By Mr. Marden of Stoneham, a Bill to define the power of courts and magistrates to punish for contempt of court. (House, No. 540.) Contempt of court.

By Mr. Whelan of Weymouth, a Bill relative to the assumption of risks of danger by employees. (House, No. 539.) Employees, — risks of danger.

By Mr. Carey of Haverhill, a Bill relative to injuries upon or about railroads and railways. (House, No. 544.) Injuries on railways.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, a Bill relative to the admission of attorneys-at-law. (House, No. 547.) Attorneys-at-law.

By the same gentleman, a Bill to provide for the retirement of justices of the Supreme Judicial and Superior courts. (House, No. 546.) Supreme Judicial and Superior courts.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Scates of Haverhill, a Bill to prevent coercion of employees. (House, No. 565.) To the committee on Labor. Coercion of employees.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, a Bill relative to the sale of intoxicating liquors on election days and holidays. (House, No. 566.) To the committee on the Liquor Law. Intoxicating liquors, — sale on election days and holidays.

Electric lights
and meters.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, a Bill to regulate the price of electric light and the inspection of electric meters. (House, No. 567.) To the committee on Manufactures.

City of Boston,
— Cove street.

By Mr. Bresnahan of Boston, a Bill relative to the extension of Cove street in the city of Boston. (House, No. 533.) To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Equitable
process, —
exemption.

By Mr. Carey of Haverhill, a Bill to exempt from equitable process the sum of not less than ten dollars per week of a debtor's income. (House, No. 545.)

United States
flag.

By Mr. Johnson of Worcester, a Bill to forbid the use of the flag of the United States for certain purposes. (House, No. 563.)

Personal
property, —
mortgages.

By Mr. Porter of Lynn, a Bill relative to mortgages of personal property. (House, No. 538.)

Drunkenness,
— discharge of
prisoners.

By Mr. Toomey of Boston, a Bill to provide for the discharge of prisoners arrested for drunkenness, in certain cases, upon application. (House, No. 543.)

Writs and
process, —
ad damnum.

By Mr. McLoughlin of Worcester, a Bill to increase the ad damnum in writs and process that may be served by constables. (House, No. 542.)

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

State officials, —
salaries.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, a Bill to regulate the salaries of State officials and others. (House, No. 568.) To the committee on Public Service.

City of Boston,
— fares on rail-
roads.

By Mr. Dean of Wakefield, a Bill to regulate passenger fares on railroads within the suburban district of Boston. (House, No. 551.)

Railroad com-
panies, —
telegraph
operators.

By Mr. Queeney of Boston, a Bill relative to the employment of telegraph operators by railroad companies. (House, No. 550.)

Railroads, —
express compa-
nies.

By Mr. Reed of Taunton, a Bill to grant to all express companies reasonable and equal terms, facilities and accommodations upon railroads. (House, No. 549.)

Railroad fares.

By Mr. Davenport of Greenfield, a Bill to establish a uniform railroad fare of two cents a mile. (House, No. 548.)

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

Town meetings.

By Mr. Sprague of Quincy, a Bill to change the time for town meetings to November and December. (House, No. 569.) To the committee on Towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 599) of William H. Haile, J. S. Sanderson, James T. Abbe and others for legislation to extend the time in which the Pynchon Safe Deposit and Trust Company may organize and begin business. To the committee on Banks and Banking. Pynchon Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

By Mr. Sprague of Quincy, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 572) of the mayor of the city of Quincy for legislation relative to the control of the system of water works of said city. City of Quincy, — water works.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 571) of the mayor of the city of Quincy for legislation to authorize said city to incur indebtedness for the construction and improvement of streets. City of Quincy, — indebtedness for streets.

By Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 570) of William H. Cuddy for legislation to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the mother of James F. Ryan. City of Boston, — mother of James F. Ryan.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 561) of Delia McGrath that the city of Boston may be authorized to pay her a certain sum of money. City of Boston, — Delia McGrath.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 560) of the Citizens' Association of Boston for legislation regulating the leasing and selling of city property. City property, — lease and sale.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 559) of the Citizens' Association of Boston for legislation to prohibit secret sessions of city councils and boards of aldermen. City councils, — secret sessions.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 600) of the Citizens' Association of Boston for legislation to prevent the payment of money from the treasury of said city for improper purposes. City of Boston, — payments for improper purposes.

By Mr. King of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 528) of Robert A. Woods for legislation to authorize the tabulation in detail of statistics of parent nativity and other related facts concerning the population of the city of Boston from the decennial census. City of Boston, — tabulation of certain statistics from the decennial census.

City of
Newton, —
streets.

By Mr. Langford of Newton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 527) of the mayor of the city of Newton for legislation relative to the location, laying out and construction of streets in said city.

Streets, —
rubbish.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 526) of William C. Parker for legislation relative to rubbish being placed in the streets of the Commonwealth.

City of
Cambridge, —
park loan.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 552) of the mayor of the city of Cambridge that said city may be authorized to make an additional loan for park purposes.

City of
Salem, —
street com-
missioner.

By Mr. Dalton of Salem, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 530) of William H. Fullam and another for legislation to provide for the annual election of a commissioner of streets in the city of Salem.

City of
Boston, —
widow of
Martin F.
McDonald.

By Mr. Lomasney of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 583) of James A. Watson for legislation to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Martin F. McDonald.

City of Cam-
bridge, — park
assessments.

By Mr. Keith of Cambridge, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 558) of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for legislation to authorize said city to abate or refund certain betterments assessed on account of the construction of public parks.

City of Cam-
bridge, — park
lands.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 557) of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for legislation to authorize said city to sell or abandon certain lands taken for public park purposes.

Lunch wagons.

By Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 556) of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for legislation to authorize the licensing of lunch wagons and the establishment of fees for such licenses.

City of Cam-
bridge, —
sewers.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 555) of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for legislation to authorize said city to borrow money outside the debt limit for the purpose of sewer construction.

City of Quincy,
— refunding of
indebtedness.

By Mr. Sheppard of Quincy, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 554) of the mayor of the city of Quincy for legislation to authorize said city to refund a portion of its indebtedness.

City of Boston,
— Fine street.

By Mr. Toland of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 553) of John I. Toland for legislation to

provide for the widening of Pine street in ward three of the city of Boston.

By Mr. White of Somerville, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 525) of the mayor of the city of Somerville that said city be authorized to take land for purposes of an almshouse.

City of Somerville, — almshouse.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 524) of the mayor of the city of Somerville that said city be authorized to lay out and maintain a parkway or boulevard.

City of Somerville, — parkway.

By Mr. Willard of Chelsea, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 523) of George H. Carter and others for a revision of the charter of the city of Chelsea.

City of Chelsea, — revision of charter.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, petition (with accompanying bills, House, Nos. 602 and 617) of Edward P. Chapin, chairman of the board of fire commissioners of the city of Springfield, for legislation to authorize an interchange of fire service between Springfield and Chicopee, and to authorize the city of Springfield to furnish the town of West Springfield with fire department service.

City of Springfield, — fire service in Chicopee and West Springfield.

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 601) of Jerome F. Manning and others for legislation to abolish the board of assessors in the city of Lowell and to create a new board of assessors in place thereof.

City of Lowell, — board of assessors.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 603) of the county commissioners of the county of Hampden for legislation to authorize them to employ some suitable person or persons to prepare a consolidated index of the records in the registry of deeds. To the committee on Counties.

County of Hampden, — index of records in registry of deeds.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 604) of Henry Abrahams for legislation to exempt labor organizations from certain provisions of the law relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations. To the committee on Insurance.

Labor organizations, — fraternal beneficiary organizations.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 580) of Joseph A. Willard for legislation relative to judgments upon demurrers and upon agreed facts.

Judgments upon demurrers and agreed facts.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 579) of William A. Munroe for further legislation relative to suits to quiet the title of real estate.

Real estate titles.

Public ware-
housemen.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 578) of Charles S. Dennis and another for legislation relative to the business of public warehousemen or other depositaries.

Police courts, —
special justices.

By Mr. Quigley of Chelmsford, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 575) of Edward D. McVey for legislation to increase the number of special justices in police courts.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

City of Lowell,
— intoxicating
liquors.

By Mr. Quigley of Chelmsford, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 605) of Edward D. McVey for legislation increasing the number of places licensed to sell intoxicating liquors in the city of Lowell. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Massachusetts
Pipe Line Gas
Company, —
interests of
cities and towns.

By Mr. Coolidge of Cambridge, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 616) of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for legislation to provide that any board having authority to grant locations to the Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas Company in the streets of a city or town may impose reasonable conditions for the protection of the interests of such city or town. To the committee on Manufactures.

Corporations
and associa-
tions, — certifi-
cates and
returns.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 606) of Henry W. Ely for legislation relative to certificates and returns of corporations and associations. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

City of Boston,
— water distri-
bution system.

By Mr. Andrews of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 607) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation to authorize said city to issue loans for the extension of its water distribution system.

Metropolitan
Park Commis-
sioners, —
Mystic valley
parkway.

By Mr. Crosby of Arlington, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 586) of Edward C. Turner and others for legislation to enable the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to extend the Mystic valley parkway or to provide a parkway or boulevard from Mystic River to and around Spy Pond in Arlington.

Nantasket
Beach, —
public reserva-
tion.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 585) of Jacob P. Bates and others for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation.

Metropolitan
Park Commis-
sioners, —
locations for
street railways.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 584) of the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners for legislation to enable said commission-

ers to grant locations for street railways within the boulevards and reservations under its control.

By Mr. Foster of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 529) of Joseph Engel and others for legislation to amend section 1 of chapter 178 of the Acts of the year 1885 relative to the municipal debt and rate of taxation in the city of Boston.

City of Boston,
—municipal
debt and tax
rate.

By Mr. Sheppard of Quincy, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 582) of the mayor of the city of Quincy for legislation to authorize and require the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to take land and construct parkways from Squantum Head in said city to the city of Boston and the Blue Hills Reservation.

Metropolitan
Park Commis-
sioners, —
parkways from
Squantum Head
to Boston and
Blue Hills.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

By Mr. Willard of Chelsea, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 587) of E. E. Willard for legislation to amend chapter 367 of the Acts of the year 1893 relative to the volunteer militia. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Militia.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 610) of E. F. Dwight for legislation to authorize judges of probate to reduce the penal sum of any bonds given to them as such judges for which the principal and surety shall be liable.

Judges of
probate, —
reduction of
bonds.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 609) of E. F. Dwight for legislation to enable probate courts to authorize and require special administrators appointed by them to do such acts relating to any property or estate in their hands as such special administrators or the interests of such property or estate may require.

Probate courts,
—special
administrators.

By Mr. Carey of Haverhill, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 573) of Thomas I. Hogan for legislation to prevent the defrauding of wage earners by unscrupulous employers.

Defrauding of
wage earners.

By Mr. Luce of Somerville, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 581) of Frank W. Kaan for legislation to prevent unlawful blasting of rock, stone and any other substance with gunpowder, dynamite or any other explosive.

Blasting.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 574) of William C. Parker for legislation relative to the appointment of auditors by the Governor.

Auditors.

City and town
seals.

By Mr. Chase of Westborough, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 577) of Robert T. Swan for legislation to establish seals in cities and towns.

Attorneys-at-
law, — fraudu-
lent settlements.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 576) of Jerome F. Manning for legislation to protect attorneys and counsellors-at-law from collusive and fraudulent settlements by and between their clients.

Transportation
companies, —
rest day for
employees.

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 613) of James G. Buttrick for legislation to provide a weekly rest day for employees of transportation companies.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Milk, — supply
and distribu-
tion.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 608) of Joseph D. Connor for an investigation of the methods of supply and distribution of milk. To the committee on Public Health.

Boston and
Albany Rail-
road Company,
— estate of
Henry
Williams.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 615) of Charles S. Rackerman and others for legislation to provide that the right of the Boston and Albany Railroad Company to take certain land in the city of Boston belonging to the estate of the late Henry Williams shall be repealed and terminated.

Boston and
Albany Rail-
road Company,
— land of
William S.
Hills.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 614) of William S. Hills for legislation to provide that the right of the Boston and Albany Railroad Company to take certain land owned by him in the city of Boston shall be repealed and terminated.

County of Suf-
folk, — electric
gongs at cer-
tain railroad
crossings.

By Mr. Foster of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 591) of W. F. Adams for legislation to provide for electric gongs at private ways or crossings over all railroads in Suffolk County.

City of Boston,
— sale of tickets
on railroads.

By Mr. Libby of Medford, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 590) of John H. Carter for legislation relative to the sale of tickets on railroads in the suburban district of the city of Boston.

Railroads, —
workingmen's
trains.

By Mr. Dean of Wakefield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 589) of Charles A. Dean for legislation relative to workingmen's trains and extending the time of service thereof.

Railroad cars, —
tools.

By Mr. Bresnahan of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 588) of Hugh W. Bresnahan for legislation to require railroad cars to be furnished

with certain tools for the better protection of passengers against fire.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 593) of Winfield Temple and others for legislation relative to season tickets issued by railroad companies. Railroad companies, — season tickets.

By Mr. Reed of Taunton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 592) of Lafayette G. Blair for legislation relative to the transportation of bicycles as baggage. Bicycles.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 611) of Charles Emerson & Sons for legislation relative to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Haverhill. City of Haverhill, — grade crossings.

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Libby of Medford, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 594) of William R. Sessions and another for legislation to provide for the State assessment of personal property and the more complete taxation thereof. Personal property, — State assessment.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 597) of William R. Sessions and another for legislation to tax the property of citizens of the Commonwealth held by foreign trustees. Taxation, — property held by foreign trustees.

By Mr. Luce of Somerville, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 598) of Albion A. Perry and another for legislation to change the present method of distributing the franchise tax collected of corporations organized under the laws of this Commonwealth. Corporations, — franchise tax.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

By Mr. Prindle of Williamstown, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 595) of the Williamstown Water Company for authority to hold additional real estate, increase its capital stock and issue bonds. To the committee on Water Supply. Williamstown Water Company.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 612) of E. Morgan, D. B. Wesson, George Nye, John Olmstead and others for legislation to authorize or require the county commissioners of Hampden County to construct a bridge across the Connecticut River at Springfield. The same gentleman moved that the 9th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules. Connecticut River, — bridge in the city of Springfield.

City of Brockton, — water supply.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 596) of the mayor of the city of Brockton that said city be authorized to take water from Silver Lake in the towns of Pembroke, Kingston, Plympton and Halifax for an additional water supply. Mr. Reed of Taunton moved that the 9th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

The consideration of the following order, adopted by the Senate, was postponed until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Stone of Springfield : —

Rand-McNally's atlas of the world.

Ordered, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be instructed to purchase for the use of the Senate and of the House of Representatives copies of Rand-McNally's new indexed atlas of the world.

Bills :

Trustees and guardians, — sale of personal property.
Nonotuck Savings Bank.

To authorize the sale by trustees and guardians of personal property in certain cases (Senate, No. 17) ; and
To incorporate the Nonotuck Savings Bank (printed as House, No. 111) ;
(Severally reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Metropolitan water system.

A Bill (taken from the files of last year) relative to supplying certain cities and towns with water from the metropolitan water system (Senate, No. 69) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

The following bills, introduced on leave, were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Cities, — watering of streets.

Bill relative to appropriations and assessments for expense of watering streets in cities. (Senate, No. 70.)
To the committee on Cities.

Ballots, — names or designations of political parties.

Bill to prohibit the placing of the name of a political party or any designation against the name of any candidate for a city or a town office. (Senate, No. 71.)

City of Boston, — qualifications for voting.

Bill to provide that a person applying to vote in the city of Boston shall not be required to write his name on the voting list. (Senate, No. 72.)

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Bill relative to the inspection of milk. (Senate, No. 73.) To the committee on Public Health. Inspection of milk.

The House petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 281) of John H. Powers and others for legislation to provide for the construction of a new bridge or for the remodelling of the present bridge across the Mystic River between the city of Somerville and that part of the city of Medford known as Wellington, came down with the endorsement that the Senate had receded from its reference to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs and had referred the petition, in non-concurrence, to the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Roads and Bridges, sitting jointly. Mystic River, — Wellington bridge between Somerville and Medford.

On motion of Mr. Grimes of Reading, the House receded from its reference to the committee on Roads and Bridges and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Roads and Bridges, sitting jointly, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 322) of Martin M. Lomasney for legislation to authorize the city council of the city of Boston to examine witnesses in certain cases and obtain information from heads of departments in said city; and City of Boston, — authority of city council.

The House petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 323) of the president of the common council of the city of Boston for legislation to authorize said council to compel the attendance of certain witnesses and obtain information from heads of departments in said city; City of Boston, — authority of common council.

Severally referred by the House to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, severally came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary. On motions of Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, the House receded, in each case, from its reference to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the joint committee on the Judiciary, and the petitions were severally returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 355) of the selectmen of the town of Sharon for legislation to change the boundary line between the towns of Canton and Sharon in the county of Norfolk, referred by the House to the committee on Towns, came Towns of Canton and Sharon, — boundary line.

down for concurrence in the suspension of the 9th joint rule. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

The following petitions and remonstrance were severally referred, in concurrence:—

State Dairy
Bureau.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 74) of D. A. Horton and others for legislation better to provide for the executive work of the State Dairy Bureau and for the compensation of its executive officer. To the committee on Agriculture.

International
Trust Com-
pany.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 75) of the International Trust Company for authority to hold additional real estate. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

City of Boston,
— board of
apportionment.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 76) of John Bordman, Jr., for legislation abolishing the board of apportionment of the city of Boston. To the committee on Cities.

County of
Norfolk, — reg-
istries of deeds
and of probate.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 78) of the county commissioners of the county of Norfolk and others for authority to erect a separate building for the use of the registry of deeds and the registry of probate for said county. To the committee on Counties.

Boston Dental
College; Tufts
College.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 79) of the Boston Dental College and the trustees of Tufts College for authority to unite. To the committee on Education.

City of Boston,
— caucuses, elec-
tions, voters,
assessment
districts and
voting precincts.

Petition (taken from the files of last year) of Henry D. Yeaton for legislation to revise, amend and codify the laws relative to caucuses and elections, relative to the assessment and registration of voters, and relative to assessment districts and voting precincts in the city of Boston. To the committee on Election Laws.

Harbor and
Land Commis-
sioners, —
survey of harbor
at mouth of
North River.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 80) of Lysander S. Richards that an appropriation be made for a survey, by the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners, of the harbor recently formed at the new mouth of the North River which separates the towns of Marshfield and Scituate. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Real estate, —
recording of
liens.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 81) of Benjamin H. Jones and another for legislation to provide for recording liens on real estate.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 82) of Clarence C. Smith and others for an amendment of the law relative to summary process for the recovery of land. Recovery of land, — summary process.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 83) of Henry Whitmore and others for legislation relative to registering and confirming titles to land. Titles to land.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 84) of Lyman Herbert for legislation to restrain the placing, maintenance or use of unauthorized structures and to compel the removal thereof. Unauthorized structures.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 85) of Charles G. Washburn that the limit now placed upon the amount of capital permitted, under the general law, to mechanical and manufacturing corporations may be removed or enlarged. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs. Mechanical and manufacturing corporations, — limit of capital.

Remonstrance of the South Boston Citizens' Association and others against the repeal of the law providing for the extension of Cove street in the city of Boston, as petitioned for by the Boston Terminal Company. To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs. City of Boston, — extension of Cove street.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 86) of Dexter E. Tilley for legislation regulating the conduct of the business of collection agencies. Collection agencies.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 88) of the Massachusetts Woman Suffrage Association for legislation securing uniformity in the rights of husband and wife in the estate of a deceased spouse. Husband and wife, — uniform rights.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Petition of Henry C. Attwill for legislation to extend the provisions of chapter 561 of the Acts of the year 1898 to persons who entered the military or naval service of the United States for the purpose of taking part in the war with the kingdom of Spain. Soldiers and sailors.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 89) of George H. Harlow and another for legislation establishing the salaries of the register and of the assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Worcester. County of Worcester, — salaries of register and assistant register of probate and insolvency.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petition of General Lander Post No. 5, G. A. R., in aid of the petition for legislation to lessen the burden of taxation upon certain soldiers and sailors and the wives and widows of such soldiers and sailors. To the committee on Taxation. Soldiers and sailors, — taxation.

Reports of Committees.

Board of Police
for the City of
Fall River.

By Mr. Ainsworth of Fall River, from the committee on Cities, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Board of Police for the City of Fall River (Pub. Doc. No. 58). Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of Newton,
— board of
aldermen.

By Mr. Chadwick of Newton, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill relative to the filling of vacancies in the board of aldermen of the city of Newton. (House, No. 206.)

City of Newton,
— sewer
assessments.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Newton to make assessments to cover the cost of sewer connections. (House, No. 207.)

City of Newton,
— disposal of
sewage and
water.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston and the city of Newton to make contracts for the disposal of certain sewage and water. (House, No. 214.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Road materials.

By Mr. Dean of Cheshire, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the securing of materials by cities and towns for the construction, repair or improvement of streets or ways (House, No. 135) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Real estate, —
attachments.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to attachments of real estate (House, No. 17) ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Bill Enacted.

Bill enacted.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the completion of the hospital building at the house of correction in Cambridge (which originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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day.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 7) of George W. Perkins and others that certain call

members of the Somerville fire department may have their names placed on the eligible list for appointment on the permanent force of said department without further examination, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Natick to incur indebtedness for grade crossing purposes (House, No. 179) ; and

Making appropriations for the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients (House, No. 522) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relative to sales of real estate by guardians (House, No. 84) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To authorize the city of Everett to incur indebtedness for sewerage purposes (House, No. 208) ;

Making an appropriation for the expense of enforcing the law to regulate the practice of pharmacy (House, No. 417) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

In addition to an act making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1898 (House, No. 418) ; and

Making appropriations for sundry educational expenses (House, No. 419) ; and

The Resolve in favor of Lemuel Burr (House, No. 195) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Needham and Boston Street Railway Company to operate its railway over private property (printed as House, No. 25) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the town of Arlington to refund a portion of its indebtedness (House, No. 181) was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was recommitted to the committee on Towns, on motion of Mr. Litchfield of Middleborough.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Worcester, at eight minutes before three o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 2, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

Joint special
committee, —
State control
of telegraph
and telephone
lines.

The order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to investigate the question of the ownership and control by the Commonwealth of telegraph and telephone lines, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Donahue of Fall River.

Annual Report.

Secretary of
the Common-
wealth, —
annual report.

The seventh annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth (Pub. Doc. No. 46) was received and was referred as follows : —

So much thereof as relates to the document division, regimental histories, State printing and early laws, to the committee on Printing ;

So much thereof as relates to liquor licenses, to the committee on the Liquor Law ; and

The residue thereof, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions were severally presented, read and referred : —

Hours of labor.

By Mr. Porter of Lynn, Resolutions relative to an amendment of the national constitution enabling Congress to regulate the hours of labor. (House, No. 622.)

Id.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, Resolutions relative to a federal law making eight hours a working day. (House, No. 625.)

Nautical
training ship.

By Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, Resolutions relative to a nautical training ship. (House, No. 626.)

Severally to the committee on Federal Relations.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
resolution of
thanks.

By Mr. Flanagan of Boston, a Resolution offering the thanks of the Commonwealth to the soldiers and sailors

who served in the war with Spain. (House, No. 641.)
To the committee on Military Affairs.

Introduced on Leave.

The following bills, introduced on leave, were severally read and referred : —

By Mr. Ross of New Bedford, a Bill to establish and maintain free employment offices in the cities of the Commonwealth. (House, No. 618.)

Cities, — free employment offices.

By Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, a Bill to authorize cities to establish fees for licenses and permits. (House, No. 619.)

Cities, — fees for licenses and permits.

By Mr. Lanergan of Boston, a Bill to provide for the widening of Hampden street in the city of Boston. (House, No. 620.)

City of Boston, — Hampden street.

By Mr. King of Boston, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the family of Martin F. McDonald. (House, No. 621.)

City of Boston, — Martin F. McDonald.

By Mr. Keith of Cambridge, a Bill to authorize the sale of certain lands acquired for park purposes by the city of Cambridge. (House, No. 623.)

City of Cambridge, — sale of certain park lands.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Toomey of Boston, a Bill relative to caucuses. (House, No. 655.) To the committee on Election Laws.

Caucuses.

By Mr. Ross of Boston, a Bill to provide for the nomination of aldermen by districts in the city of Boston. (House, No. 650.) To the committees on Election Laws and Metropolitan Affairs, sitting jointly.

City of Boston, — nomination of aldermen.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, a Bill relative to the protection of pickerel. (House, No. 627.) To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Fisheries, — protection of pickerel.

By Mr. Dewey of Westfield, a Bill relative to domestic and foreign mutual assessment life insurance corporations. (House, No. 628.)

Mutual assessment life insurance companies.

By Mr. Gaddis of Boston, a Bill to furnish further protection to Massachusetts policy holders in foreign insurance companies transacting a surety or accident insurance to persons in this Commonwealth. (House, No. 629.)

Foreign insurance companies, — surety and accident insurance.

By Mr. Frost of Lawrence, a Bill relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations. (House, No. 630.)

Fraternal beneficiary organizations.

Severally to the committee on Insurance.

Employers' liability.

By Mr. McLoughlin of Worcester, a Bill to amend an act relative to employers' liability. (House, No. 631.)

Id.

By Mr. Sullivan of Natick, a Bill to amend the employers' liability act. (House, No. 632.)

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

City of Boston, — number of licenses.

By Mr. Root of Boston, a Bill to decrease the number of licenses in the city of Boston. (House, No. 633.)

Intoxicating liquors, — number of licenses.

By Mr. Flanagan of Boston, a Bill to repeal the laws limiting the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors. (House, No. 634.)

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Electric wires.

By Mr. Reed of Taunton, a Bill relative to the regulation of electric wires. (House, No. 635.)

Dealers in securities, — licenses.

By Mr. Dumond of Boston, a Bill relative to licensing dealers in securities. (House, No. 636.)

City of Boston, — Stony Brook.

By Mr. Bleiler of Boston, a Bill relative to Stony Brook in the city of Boston. (House, No. 637.)

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Metropolitan parks and boulevards, — apportionment of cost.

By Mr. Haywood of Lynn, a Bill relative to the apportionment of the cost of the metropolitan parks and boulevards. (House, No. 638.)

City of Boston, — sewerage works.

By Mr. Keith of Cambridge, a Bill to amend an act relative to the sewerage works of the city of Boston. (House, No. 640.)

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Nautical training school.

By Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, a Bill to establish a nautical training school. (House, No. 639.)

Officers, — retired list.

By Mr. Stewart of Boston, a Bill relative to the placing of officers upon the retired list. (House, No. 642.)

Armories, — compensation of janitors.

By Mr. Toland of Boston, a Bill relative to the compensation of janitors of armories. (House, No. 643.)

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Convicts, — discharges.

By Mr. Turtle of Pittsfield, a Bill to regulate the discharge of convicts committed to prison or other places of confinement for non-payment of fine or fine and costs. (House, No. 644.) To the committee on Prisons.

Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates.

By Mr. Coolidge of Cambridge, a Bill relative to discharges from the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates. (House, No. 645.) To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, a Bill relative to the sale of poultry and eggs. (House, No. 624.) To the committee on Public Health. Poultry and eggs.

By Mr. Toomey of Boston, a Bill to repeal the law relative to standard record inks for public records. (House, No. 646.) Public records, —standard inks.

By Mr. Mackey of Boston, a Bill to abolish the office of State Fire Marshal and to transfer the powers and duties of said office to the Chief of the District Police. (House, No. 652.) Chief of the District Police, — powers and duties of State Fire Marshal.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Jeremiah F. McCarthy of Boston, a Bill relative to sleeping cars. (House, No. 648.) Sleeping cars.

By Mr. Reed of Taunton, a Bill to require railroad companies to equip their cars with platform gates. (House, No. 649.) Railroad companies, — platform gates.

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Foster of Boston, a Bill to impose a tax on fermented liquors. (House, No. 651.) Fermented liquors.

By Mr. Hancock of Brockton, a Bill relative to interest on overdue taxes. (House, No. 653.) Overdue taxes.

By Mr. Dean of Wakefield, a Bill to impose a tax on legacies, successions and certain other transfers and to provide for the distribution of the proceeds of the same. (House, No. 654.) Legacies and successions.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Robinson of Springfield, a Bill relative to the protection of shade trees. The bill having been read, Mr. Bennett of Saugus moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules. Shade trees.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred: —

By Mr. Stone of Sharon, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 660) of Charles S. Curtis for legislation relative to the licensing of dogs. Licensing of dogs.

By Mr. Queeney of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 658) of Thomas I. Hogan and Public health, — infected milk.

another for legislation to safeguard the public health against danger from the use of the milk of cows suffering from tuberculosis.

Shade trees.

By Mr. Ross of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 647) of the Massachusetts Forestry Association for legislation relative to the care and preservation of public shade trees in public ways.

Shade trees, forests and woodlands.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 656) of the Massachusetts Forestry Association for legislation for the preservation of shade trees and for the better protection of forests and woodlands against fire.

Milk peddlers, — license fees.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 659) of Frank H. Hill for legislation relative to the license fees of milk peddlers.

Milk, — testing of certain.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 657) of Frank H. Hill for legislation relative to the testing of milk transported in railroad cars.

Milk dealers, — licensing of.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 661) of the secretary of the Fitchburg Milk Dealers' Association for legislation relative to the licensing of milk dealers.

Races and fairs, — speeding horses and betting.

By Mr. Hagberg of Worcester, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 662) of James H. Kelly for legislation relative to speeding horses and betting at races and fairs.

Milk, — importation of certain.

By Mr. Davis of Cambridge, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 663) of Horace K. Osborn for legislation to prohibit the importation of the milk of cows which have not been properly inspected.

Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

Taunton Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

By Mr. Reed of Taunton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 664) of William H. Fox and others for an extension of time for the organization of the Taunton Safe Deposit and Trust Company. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

City of Boston, — institutions registration department.

By Mr. Minton of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 680) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation to reorganize the institutions registration department of said city.

City of Newburyport, — election of assessors.

By Mr. Mills of Newburyport, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 677) of George H. Plumer and

others for legislation relative to the election of assessors in the city of Newburyport.

By Mr. Sands of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 678) of Edward P. Sands for legislation relative to the care and custody of public baths in the city of Boston. City of Boston,
— public baths.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 676) of Osborne Howes for legislation to extend the fire limits of the city of Boston. City of Boston,
— fire limits.

By Mr. Andrews of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 665) of Alfred Newmarch for legislation to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of William J. Kelly. City of Boston,
— widow of
William J.
Kelly.

By Mr. Montgomery of Cambridge, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 666) of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for legislation relative to the authority of said city to continue the pay of employees injured in the discharge of their duties. City of Cam-
bridge, — pay
to injured em-
ployees.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 667) of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for legislation relative to the powers of the trustees of the sinking fund of the water board of said city. City of Cam-
bridge, — water
board sinking
fund.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 668) of George B. Upham for further legislation to restrict the height of buildings in the city of Boston. City of Boston,
— height of
buildings.

By Mr. Gilpatric of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 669) of Francis W. Kittredge and others for an amendment to the building laws of the city of Boston. City of Boston,
— building laws.

By Mr. Root of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 670) of Frank W. Estey for legislation relative to the construction of streets in the city of Boston. City of Boston,
— streets.

By Mr. Frost of Lawrence, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 672) of J. C. Crombie for legislation relative to the powers of the school committee of the city of Lawrence. City of
Lawrence, —
school com-
mittee

By Mr. James H. Donovan of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 673) of Joseph A. Conry for legislation to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to Ellen A. Murphy. City of Boston,
— Ellen A.
Murphy.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 679) of Joseph A. Conry that the city City of Boston,
— mother of
Joseph D. Lane.

of Boston may be authorized to pay a sum of money to the mother of Joseph D. Lane.

City of Boston,
— widow of
John Rossiter.

By Mr. Lomasney of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 674) of Michael F. Hart for legislation to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of John Rossiter.

City of Malden,
— old burial
lots.

By Mr. Turner of Malden, petition with accompanying bill, House, No. 675) of the mayor of the city of Malden for legislation to provide for the removal of the remains of the dead from the old burial lots in Malden.

City of Boston,
— height of
buildings on
Beacon Hill.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 681) of Anna Cabot Lodge and others for legislation to limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston.

City of Cambridge,
— sewer
assessments.

By Mr. Davis of Cambridge, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 671) of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for legislation to authorize said city to vacate certain sewer assessments.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

City of Waltham,
— drains and
water courses.

By Mr. Smith of Waltham, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 682) of the mayor of the city of Waltham for legislation relative to drains and water courses in said city. To the committee on Drainage.

City of Fall River,
— textile school.

By Mr. Hopewell of Fall River, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 683) of William Moran and others for the establishment of a textile school in the city of Fall River.

Public schools,
— skilled super-
intendents.

By Mr. Leland of Templeton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 684) of Charles Crittenden and others for legislation to encourage the employment of a skilled superintendent of schools in all the towns and cities of the Commonwealth sharing the income of the State school fund.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Caucuses,
— nomination of
senators.

By Mr. Jeremiah F. McCarthy of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 685) of Jeremiah F. McCarthy for legislation relative to the nomination of State senators by the direct vote of the people in caucuses.

City of Boston,
— board of
assessors.

By Mr. King of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 686) of Randolph V. King for legislation relative to the board of assessors of the city of Boston.

Id.

By Mr. Russell of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 687) of Arthur P. Russell for legis-

lation relative to the duties of assessors in the city of Boston.

By Mr. Wheeler of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 691) of William D. Wheeler for legislation relative to the appointment of assessors and assistant assessors and the duties of the same in the city of Boston.

City of Boston,
— board of
assessors.

By Mr. Gilpatric of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 690) of Fred C. Gilpatric for legislation relative to political committees and caucuses of political parties.

Political
committees;
caucuses of
political parties.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 693) of Edwin L. Sprague, president of the Election Laws League of Massachusetts, for an amendment of the election laws of the Commonwealth relative to corrupt practices.

Elections, —
corrupt
practices.

By Mr. Hagberg of Worcester, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 692) of John G. Hagberg for legislation relative to the registration of foreign-born voters.

Foreign-born
voters, — regis-
tration.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

By Mr. Bridgeo of Marblehead, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 689) of Joseph H. Atkins and others for legislation relative to the prevention of the maintenance or operation of menhaden purse seines in the waters of the Commonwealth.

Fisheries, —
menhaden purse
seines.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 688) of William L. Hooper and others for legislation relative to the prevention of the maintenance or operation of mackerel purse seines in the waters of the Commonwealth.

Fisheries, —
mackerel purse
seines.

By Mr. Howland of Dartmouth, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 695) of Horace K. Osborn for legislation to permit the taking of butter-fish in Buzzard's Bay by nets or weirs.

Fisheries, —
taking of
butter-fish in
Buzzard's
Bay.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 696) of Patrick J. Lane for legislation authorizing the Coachmen's Benevolent Association to pay a funeral benefit upon the death of the wife of a member.

Coachmen's
Benevolent
Association, —
funeral benefits.

By Mr. Driscoll of Chicopee, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 700) of Luther White for legis-

Life insurance
corporations, —
re-incorpora-
tion.

lation relative to the re-incorporation of life insurance corporations, associations or societies.

Severally to the committee on Insurance.

Supreme
Judicial Court,
— notices of
petitions con-
cerning wills.

By Mr. Grimes of Reading, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 702) of Charles D. Adams for legislation relative to notices of petitions to the Supreme Judicial Court for the construction of wills.

Bastardy cases,
— approval of
bonds by clerks
of inferior
courts.

By Mr. King of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 699) of Edward W. Brewer for legislation to authorize clerks of police, municipal and district courts to approve bastardy bonds.

Sheriffs and
constables, —
storage of
property
removed in
executions.

By Mr. Foster of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 697) of William H. Swift and others for legislation to authorize sheriffs and constables to store property removed by them in the service of executions.

Employers'
liability.

By Mr. Toland of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 694) of John I. Toland for legislation to more fully define the employers' liability.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
sale in towns
of two or more
villages.

By Mr. Dewey of Westfield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 701) of Robert L. Parks and others for legislation relative to the granting of licenses for sale of intoxicating liquors in towns containing two or more villages.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
sale on election
days and holi-
days.

By Mr. Andrews of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 703) of Charles H. Bartlett for legislation to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors on election days and certain holidays.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
sixth-class
licenses.

By Mr. Kells of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 704) of William Kells, Jr., for legislation relative to the granting of sixth-class licenses to druggists.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Elevators, —
safety guards.

By Mr. Grimes of Reading, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 707) of Charles F. Brown and others for legislation relative to safety guards on elevators for the protection of the public.

Boston Marine
Society.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 708) of Grant M. Palmer and another for legislation to amend the charter of the Boston Marine Society.

Telephone
service, —
charges.

By Mr. Davenport of Greenfield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 709) of W. A. Davenport and

another for legislation to regulate charges for telephone service.

By Mr. Smith of Dover, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 710) of Allen F. Smith for legislation to authorize the incorporation of a cemetery association in the town of Needham.

Town of Needham, — cemetery association.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Minton of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 705) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation relative to the construction of the Charles River embankment in said city.

City of Boston, — Charles River embankment.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 706) of Edward R. Coffin for legislation to repeal chapter 531 of the Acts of the year 1898 authorizing a dam across the Charles River.

Charles River, — dam.

By Mr. Gartland of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 714) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation relative to the expenditures of the Board of Police for the City of Boston.

Board of Police for the City of Boston.

By Mr. Andrews of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 715) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation to authorize said city to levy assessments for the removal of snow from public alleys.

City of Boston, — removal of snow from public alleys.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

By Mr. Estes of Brockton, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 711) of E. B. Estes for legislation to authorize the payment of a bounty from the treasury of the Commonwealth to George Dunbar of West Bridgewater.

George Dunbar, — bounty.

By Mr. Marden of Stoneham, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 712) of Christopher Harrison for legislation to compensate him for injuries received while in the performance of military duty as a member of the State militia.

Christopher Harrison.

By Mr. Dean of Wakefield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 713) of William L. Ward that Major Winsor M. Ward may be given a retired rank befitting his long and faithful service in the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia.

Major Winsor M. Ward.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 738) of Walter Hunnewell and another that the charter of the First Church in Boston may be amended. To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

First Church in Boston.

Taking of land.

By Mr. Davenport of Greenfield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 727) of Albert E. Bonney for legislation relative to the taking of land by cities and towns.

Auctioneers, — licenses.

By Mr. Coolidge of Cambridge, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 716) of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for legislation to authorize the issue of licenses to auctioneers without the signatures of members of boards of aldermen.

Official stenographers, — fees.

By Mr. Dewey of Westfield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 717) of James S. Newton for legislation relative to the fees of official stenographers for transcripts of testimony and of the charge and rulings of a presiding justice.

Larceny, — penalty.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, petition with accompanying bill, House, No. 718) of Marcus C. Pettingell, chairman of the committee of the Expressmen's League, for legislation to define the penalty for larceny in certain cases.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Almshouses.

By Mr. Driscoll of Chicopee, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 721) of George W. Bray and others for legislation concerning almshouses in cities and towns.

Lyman School for Boys, — new street.

By Mr. Chase of Westborough, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 720) of M. H. Walker and others for legislation to authorize the construction of a street to accommodate travel to and from the Lyman School for Boys.

City of Boston, — protection and care of children.

By Mr. Gartland of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 719) of A. J. Bailey for legislation to provide for the better protection and care of children in the city of Boston.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Bakeries.

By Mr. Marden of Stoneham, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 722) of Charles Megan for legislation relative to bakeries and persons employed therein.

Water supply, — pollution.

By Mr. Dewey of Westfield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 723) of Charles E. Grinnell for legislation relative to the pollution of sources of water supply.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Metropolitan Park Commissioners, — compensation.

By Mr. White of Somerville, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 724) of William B. Lawrence and

others for legislation to provide compensation for the Metropolitan Park Commissioners.

By Mr. Andrews of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 725) of Thomas L. Hawkins, assistant engineer at the State House, for an increase of salary.

State House, — salary of assistant engineer.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 728) of Andrew J. Bailey for legislation to confirm the report of the commissioners appointed to consider the abolition of certain grade crossings in the cities of Boston and Cambridge. To the committee on Railroads.

Cities of Boston and Cambridge, — abolition of grade crossings.

By Mr. Sands of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 726) of Asa Haley for legislation relative to the equipment and operation of drawbridges. To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Drawbridges, — equipment and operation.

By Mr. Dewey of Westfield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 732) of H. C. Bliss for legislation relative to the use of street railway tracks. To the committee on Street Railways.

Street railway tracks.

By Mr. Wells of Peabody, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 733) of Abelard E. Wells for legislation relative to the supervision of wires in towns. To the committee on Towns.

Towns, — supervision of wires.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 735) of the selectmen of the town of Longmeadow for legislation to authorize said town to take land for the purposes and protection of its water supply.

Town of Longmeadow, — protection of water supply.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 734) of Nathaniel W. Ladd and others for legislation relative to the use of water meters.

Water meters.

Severally to the committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

The following petitions, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, having been deposited in his office as required by law, were severally referred : —

Petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 698) of Francis P. Arnold and others for legislation to incorporate the Cape Cod Canal Company.

Cape Cod Canal Company.

Petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 737) of H. W. Armstrong that he and his associates may be au-

Cape Cod canal.

thorized to construct, maintain and operate a canal across Cape Cod.

New York and
Boston Canal
Company.

Petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 736) of Charles C. Clapp and others for legislation to incorporate the New York and Boston Canal Company.

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

City of Boston,
— grade
crossings.

Petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 729) of Josiah Quincy for legislation relative to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Boston. To the committee on Railroads.

Town of
Northfield, —
Connecticut
River bridge.

Petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 730) of the New London Northern Railroad Company and the receivers of the Central Vermont Railroad Company for legislation relative to the bridge over the Connecticut River in the town of Northfield. To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Norfolk West-
ern Street Rail-
way Company.

Petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 731) of Joseph J. Feely for legislation to authorize the Norfolk Western Street Railway Company to act as a common carrier of farm products, merchandise and the United States mail. To the committee on Street Railways.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions, without Accompanying Bills, Referred to the Next General Court.

The following petitions, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, having been deposited in his office as required by law, were severally referred, under House Rule 29, to the next General Court, for the reason that no bills or resolves embodying the legislation prayed for had been presented : —

Streets and
ways, — refrigerat-
ing works.

Petition of L. Edgar Timson for legislation to authorize the construction, operation and maintenance of refrigerating works in and through the streets and public ways of the Commonwealth.

Boston and
Eastern Ex-
press Company.

Petition of George N. Harrington for legislation to incorporate the Boston and Eastern Express Company.

Grafton, Upton
and Milford
Street Railway
Company.

Petition of John F. Simmons for legislation relative to the Grafton, Upton and Milford Street Railway Company.

Massachusetts
Maritime Canal
Company.

Petition of John H. Rice and others for legislation relative to the Massachusetts Maritime Canal Company.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

On motion of Mr. Leland of Templeton, the petitions of Samuel Eliot and others for legislation relative to the public schools of the city of Boston and providing for a reorganization of the government thereof, was taken from the files of last year. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

City of Boston,
— public
schools.

Papers from the Senate.

The order relative to instructing the Sergeant-at-Arms to purchase for the use of the Senate and of the House of Representatives copies of Rand-McNally's new indexed atlas of the world, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, was considered.

Rand-McNally's
atlas of the
world.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Springfield, the order was amended by inserting before the word "copies" the word "two," and, as amended, was rejected, and notice sent to the Senate.

A Bill to cede certain land in Boston harbor, and jurisdiction over the same, to the United States for the purpose of extending the present limits of the United States Navy Yard (Senate, No. 67) (reported on the Governor's address, Senate, No. 1, in part), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read. On motion of Mr. Estes of Brockton, the rule was suspended, and the bill was ordered to a second reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Charlestown
Navy Yard, —
dry dock.

Bills :

To incorporate the South Deerfield Cemetery Association (Senate, No. 13) ; and

South Deerfield
Cemetery
Association.

To incorporate the Trustees of the French Protestant Church of Lowell (Senate, No. 39) ;

French Protes-
tant Church of
Lowell.

(Severally reported on a petition, taken from the files of last year) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The House Resolve (introduced on leave) relative to a high-level sewer connecting the city of Worcester with

City of
Worcester, —
high-level
sewer.

the metropolitan sewerage system (House, No. 382), referred by the House to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Drainage, sitting jointly. On motion of Mr. Simmons of Grafton, the House receded from its reference to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Drainage, sitting jointly, and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Intoxicating
liquors, — num-
ber of licenses.

A Bill (taken from the files of last year) relative to the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors (Senate, No. 68) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on the Liquor Law.

The following bills and resolves, introduced on leave, were severally referred, in concurrence: —

Animals, —
infectious dis-
eases.

Bill to amend an act relative to animals affected with infectious diseases. (Senate, No. 91.) To the committee on Agriculture.

Savings banks,
— investments.

Bill relative to the investments of savings banks and institutions for savings. (Senate, No. 92.) To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Cities, — fees
for licenses and
permits.

Bill to authorize cities to establish fees for licenses and permits. (Senate, No. 93.) To the committee on Cities.

Clerks of
courts, — clerical
assistance.

Bill relative to clerical assistance of clerks of courts. To the committee on Counties.

City of Boston,
— caucuses.

Bill relative to caucuses in the city of Boston. To the committee on Election Laws.

Life insurance.

Bill relative to life insurance. (Senate, No. 94.) To the committee on Insurance.

Senate and
House of Repre-
sentatives, —
clerks and
assistant clerks.

Bill relative to the clerks and the assistant clerks of the Senate and the House of Representatives. (Senate, No. 95.) To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

City of Boston,
— vote on
license question.

Bill relative to taking the vote upon the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the city of Boston. (Senate, No. 96.) To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Steam boilers;
steam engineer-
ing.

Bill relative to the inspection of steam boilers and to regulate steam engineering. (Senate, No. 97.)

Engineers, —
licenses.

Bill relative to the licensing of engineers. (Senate, No. 98.)

Severally to the committee on Manufactures.

Bill to prevent certain foreign corporations from engaging in business in Massachusetts. (Senate, No. 99.) To the committee on Mercantile Affairs. Foreign corporations.

Bill relative to the laying out and construction of Bennington street and of other highways in the city of Boston. (Senate, No. 100.) City of Boston, — Bennington street.

Resolve to provide for marking with a suitable monument the site of the first town meeting. (Senate, No. 101.) Site of the first town meeting.
Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Resolve relative to Captain Benjamin H. Jellison. To the committee on Military Affairs. Benjamin H. Jellison.

Bill to prevent the abandonment of parents by children. (Senate, No. 102.) Parents, — abandonment.

Bill to regulate sales under powers of sale in mortgages. (Senate, No. 103.) Mortgage sales.

Bill to provide for the better protection of the aged and insane and of any others who may require guardianship. (Senate, No. 104.) Aged and insane, — guardianship.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Bill relative to offensive trades. (Senate, No. 105.) To the committee on Public Health. Offensive trades.

Bill to authorize street railway companies to act as common carriers of freight, coal and supplies for street railway purposes. (Senate, No. 106.) To the committee on Street Railways. Street railway companies, — common carriers.

The House petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 411) of Daniel W. Darling and Jasper T. Darling for legislation to reimburse them for losses sustained by them in the erection of certain buildings, referred by the House to the committee on Education, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the joint committee on Ways and Means. On motion of Mr. Reed of Taunton, the House receded from its reference to the committee on Education and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the joint committee on Ways and Means, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly. Daniel W. Darling and Jasper T. Darling.

The House petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 391) of John C. Sanborn and others for legislation to change the name of the police court of Lawrence and to enlarge its jurisdiction, referred by the House to the committee on Probate and Insolvency, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judi- Police court of Lawrence.

ciary. On motion of Mr. Carrier of Methuen, the House receded from its reference to the committee on Probate and Insolvency and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the joint committee on the Judiciary, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Highway and sidewalk at State Muster Field.

The House petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 414) of Horatio F. Twombly for legislation relative to a highway and sidewalk over land of the Commonwealth at the State Muster Field at Framingham, referred by the House to the committee on Roads and Bridges, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs. On motion of Mr. Twombly of Framingham, the House receded from its reference to the committee on Roads and Bridges and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the committee on Military Affairs, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

State House, — open spaces on east and west sides.

A petition of Joseph W. Smith and Edward A. Horton for the removal of all the buildings belonging to the State between Mt. Vernon and Bowdoin streets on the east side of the State House, also that the buildings between Hancock Avenue and Joy street and Mt. Vernon and Beacon streets be taken by the State for public park purposes, came down referred to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Pending the question on concurring with the Senate in the reference, the petition was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Hayes of Lowell.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

City of Haverhill, — city messenger.

Petition of B. F. Daggett and others that the city messenger of the city of Haverhill shall be elected by popular vote. To the committee on Cities.

County of Worcester, — court house.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 77) of the county commissioners of the county of Worcester for authority to expend seventy thousand dollars in addition to the sums already authorized for equipping and furnishing the court house at Worcester.

County of Middlesex, — probate court officer.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 107) of Henry G. Cushing for legislation providing for the appointment of a permanent court officer for the probate court for the county of Middlesex.

Severally to the committee on Counties.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 108) of Samuel E. Courtney and others for legislation to provide for building and furnishing a normal school in the city of Boston. City of Boston, — normal school.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 109) of the mayor of the city of Boston for the establishment of vacation schools in said city. City of Boston, — vacation schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 110) of Charles F. Sargent and others for legislation to provide for a half-holiday on State and city elections. To the committee on Election Laws. Election days, — half-holidays.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 111) of C. F. King and others for amendment of the law relative to small loans and the redemption of the security therefor. Small loans.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 112) of Torrey E. Wardner for legislation defining contempt of court, establishing the mode of procedure relating to the same, and regulating and fixing the punishment therefor. Contempt of court.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 113) of Ralph A. Stewart for an amendment of the law relative to the liability of persons employed to purchase and sell commodities and securities. Commodities and securities, — purchase and sale.

Petition (with accompanying resolve, Senate, No. 114) of Henry C. Whitney for the passage of a resolve providing for an investigation concerning the laws relative to proceedings after execution, particularly with reference to the poor debtor court and the Dubuque law, so called. Poor debtor proceedings.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 115) of Henry C. Whitney for the enactment of a law to remedy and correct abuses of legal process and practice. Abuses of legal process.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 118) of John E. Baldwin for legislation providing for better ventilation of sleeping rooms in which gas is burned. To the committee on Manufactures. Gas, — ventilation of sleeping rooms.

Petition of W. Edwin Ulmer for the incorporation of the Benevolent Institute of Boston. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs. Benevolent Institute of Boston.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 119) of the mayor of the city of Boston that the city council of City of Boston, — reduction of salaries.

said city be authorized to reduce any salaries paid by said city, the amounts of which are fixed by statute.

Fred R. Slater,
— Metropolitan
Park Commis-
sion.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 120) of Fred R. Slater that he may be compensated for the destruction of certain buildings in the town of Swampscott by order of the Metropolitan Park Commission.

City of Boston,
— school-
houses.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 123) of Edward I. Aldrich and others for legislation to provide for grammar and primary schoolhouses in the city of Boston.

Boston and
Brookline, —
sewage.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 124) of A. J. Bailey that authority be given to the city of Boston and the town of Brookline to continue to put sewage and surface drainage into the stream of the Riverway between said city and town.

City of Boston,
— playgrounds.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 125) of Frank W. Estey for an amendment of the law to provide a comprehensive system of playgrounds in the city of Boston.

City of Boston,
— pay of day
laborers.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 126) of John J. Mahoney that laborers employed under contract in the city of Boston shall be paid two dollars per day for nine hours' work.

City of Boston,
— fire depart-
ment.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 127) of Peter F. Tague for legislation to place the fire department of the city of Boston on a twelve-hour basis.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Married women,
— jurisdiction
of probate
courts.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 87) of George P. Lawrence for amendments of the law relative to the jurisdiction of probate courts upon petitions of married women concerning their separate estate and maintenance and the custody and maintenance of minor children.

Protection of
religious sects.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 130) of Henry C. Whitney for a law to ensure protection to religious sects in their religious observances.

Insurance Com-
missioner, —
public record
office.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 131) of Henry D. Yeaton for legislation providing that the office of the Insurance Commissioner shall be a public record office.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

State institu-
tions, — relief
of certain towns
from supporting
inmates.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 133) of Herbert C. Parsons for legislation to relieve certain towns

from the support of inmates of certain State institutions.
To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 134) of Charles F. Sargent and others that sanitariums for the free use of the public be maintained by all cities and towns having a water supply. To the committee on Public Health.

Public
sanitariums.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 136) of Charles F. Sargent and others for an amendment of the law relative to the travelling expenses of jurors.

Jurors,—
travelling ex-
penses.

Petition of Francis N. Thompson, assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Franklin, for an increase of salary.

County of
Franklin,—
salary of assist-
ant register of
probate and
insolvency.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petition of O. Crawford for legislation to facilitate the collection of taxes upon real estate. To the committee on Taxation.

Collection of
taxes.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 138) of the selectmen of the town of Holden that the time within which said town may accept the provisions of the act to provide a supply of water for said town may be extended. To the committee on Water Supply.

Town of Hol-
den,—water
supply.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Harvell of Rockland, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Federal Trust Company. (House, No. 284.)

Federal Trust
Company.

By Mr. Turtle of Pittsfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 62), a Bill relative to days of grace on sight drafts. (House, No. 739.)

Sight drafts,—
days of grace.

By Mr. Litchfield of Middleborough, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill relative to the regulation and supervision of wires over streets or buildings in the town of Arlington. (House, No. 163.)

Town of Ar-
lington,—
supervision
of wires.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Haywood of Lynn, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the price of certain writs (House, No. 220) ought to pass.

Price of writs.

By Mr. Douglass of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for the deposit of money in a savings bank in the name of a

Savings banks,
—deposits in
the name of a
judge of
probate.

judge of probate and for the payment of the same (House, No. 170) ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Safe deposit,
loan and trust
companies.

By Mr. Henderson of Rowley, from the committee on Banks and Banking, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (House, No. 133) ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Adult blind,—
instruction.

By Mr. Harwood of Littleton, from the committee on Education, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) relative to the instruction of the adult blind (House, No. 173) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bill Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Bill enacted.

An engrossed Bill making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1898 (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve to authorize the Treasurer and Receiver-General to borrow money in anticipation of revenue (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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day.

The report of the committee on Cities, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Board of Police for the City of Fall River (Pub. Doc. No. 58) was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to attachments of real estate (House, No. 17) was rejected, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent the Senate.

Bills :

Relative to the securing of materials by cities and towns for the construction, repair or improvement of streets or ways (House, No. 135) ;

Relative to the filling of vacancies in the board of aldermen of the city of Newton (House, No. 206) ;

To authorize the city of Newton to make assessments to cover the cost of sewer connections (House, No. 207) ;

To authorize the city of Boston and the city of Newton to make contracts for the disposal of certain sewage and water (House, No. 214) ;

To authorize the sale by trustees and guardians of personal property in certain cases (Senate, No. 17) ; and

To incorporate the Nonotuck Savings Bank (printed as House, No. 111) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relative to insolvent estates of deceased persons (House, No. 15) ; and

Making appropriations for the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients (House, No. 522) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the town of Natick to incur indebtedness for grade crossing purposes (House, No. 179) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, adding the following new section : “ *Section 4.* This act shall take effect upon its passage.”

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the order directing the State Fire Marshal to investigate and report to this General Court, if possible, and if not to the next General Court, as to the best form of fire escapes for houses, factories, public halls and theatres, was considered, and after debate, was adopted. The order was then rejected.

On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, at twenty minutes past three o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 3, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Special Committee Appointed.

Special committee, — visit of the President of the United States.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Mills of Newburyport, Myers of Cambridge, Hawes of Weymouth, Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, Stone of Springfield, Haskins of Rockport, Reed of Taunton, Carleton of Haverhill, Sands of Boston, Brigham of Marlborough and Salter of Lynn as the committee on the part of the House to extend to the President of the United States an invitation to visit the General Court on the occasion of his contemplated visit to the city of Boston.

Resolution Presented.

Massachusetts Volunteer Aid Association.

By Mr. Davis of Amesbury, a Resolution relative to the Massachusetts Volunteer Aid Association. (House, No. 740.) Read and referred to the committee on Military Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

The following bills and resolve, introduced on leave, were severally read and referred :—

Gypsy moth.

By Mr. Davenport of Greenfield, a Bill to repeal chapter 210 of the Acts of the year 1891 relative to the gypsy moth. (House, No. 741.)

Domestic animals, — contagious diseases.

By Mr. Harwood of Littleton, a Bill relative to contagious diseases among domestic animals. (House, No. 764.)

Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

Constitutional amendment, — approval or rejection of laws.

By Mr. Ross of New Bedford, a Bill to provide for an amendment to the Constitution relating to the right of qualified voters to approve or reject laws. (House, No. 743.) To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Insurance companies, — change of name.

By Mr. Dewey of Westfield, a Bill relative to the change of names of insurance corporations. (House, No. 744.) To the committee on Insurance.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, a Bill relative to commitments to the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates. (House, No. 763.)

Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, a Bill to change the name of the police court of Haverhill and to include the towns of Georgetown, West Newbury and Boxford within its judicial district. (House, No. 757.)

Police court of Haverhill, — name and jurisdiction.

By Mr. Ross of Boston, a Bill to provide for the establishment of a board of examiners and for the licensing of land surveyors. (House, No. 750.)

Land surveyors, — examination and licensing.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, a Resolve to provide for the renewal of existing contract with the firm of Little, Brown and Company. (House, No. 746.)

Little, Brown and Company.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Mackey of Boston, a Bill relative to objections of owners of real estate in the matter of the granting of liquor licenses. (House, No. 748.)

Intoxicating liquors, — objections to licenses.

By Mr. Spooner of Chelsea, a Bill to prohibit the setting up of stock tickers in premises licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors. (House, No. 749.)

Intoxicating liquors, — stock tickers.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Foster of Boston, a Bill to incorporate the Marine Park Tower Company. (House, No. 754.) To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Marine Park Tower Company.

By Mr. Andrews of Boston, a Bill relative to special assessments in the city of Boston. (House, No. 742.)

City of Boston, — special assessments.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, a Bill to secure the referendum for the city of Lynn in relation to the metropolitan park system. (House, No. 751.)

City of Lynn, — metropolitan park system.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, a Bill to authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to make provision for musical entertainments in the reservations under their charge. (House, No. 752.)

Metropolitan Park Commissioners, — musical entertainments.

By Mr. White of Somerville, a Bill relative to a boulevard from the Middlesex Fells parkway near the Mystic River to the Charles River. (House, No. 753.)

Charles River, — boulevard from Middlesex Fells parkway.

By Mr. Bresnahan of Boston, a Bill relative to lands and buildings under the control of the park commissioners of the city of Boston. (House, No. 762.)

City of Boston, — park lands and buildings.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

By Mr. Bresnahan of Boston, a Bill relative to fraternal military organizations. (House, No. 755.) To the committee on Military Affairs.

Fraternal military organizations.

Personal property, — conditional sale.

By Mr. Swift of Tisbury, a Bill relative to contracts for the conditional sale of personal property. (House, No. 756.)

Minors, — marriages.

By Mr. Haywood of Lynn, a Bill relative to marriages of minors. (House, No. 745.)

Husbands and wives, — certain rights.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, a Bill relative to the rights of husband or wife in the property of the other deceased. (House, No. 747.)

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Highways, — snow.

By Mr. Prindle of Williamstown, a Bill relative to keeping highways free from snow. (House, No. 758.) To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Street railway companies, — assessments and revocations.

By Mr. Dean of Wakefield, a Bill relative to the rate of excise to be assessed upon and the revocation of locations of street railway companies. (House, No. 759.) To the committee on Street Railways.

Foreign corporations.

By Mr. Donahue of Fall River, a Bill relative to licensing foreign corporations. (House, No. 760.)

Overdue taxes, — interest.

By Mr. Hagberg of Worcester, a Bill relative to the rate of interest on overdue taxes. (House, No. 761.)

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred: —

Milk.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 765) of Joseph D. Connor for legislation relative to the sale of milk from sick or diseased cows. To the committee on Agriculture.

Unauthorized transaction of trust company business.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 766) of T. Loring and others for legislation to prevent persons or corporations not incorporated under the laws of this Commonwealth from advertising or putting forth a sign as a trust company or from doing such business. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

City of Boston, — buildings.

By Mr. Bresnahan of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 768) of Robert W. Godfrey and others for legislation to amend section 128 of chapter 419 of the Acts of the year 1892 relative to the construc-

tion, maintenance and inspection of buildings in the city of Boston.

By Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 783) of Edward W. Presho for legislation to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Daniel F. Cadigan.

City of Boston,
— widow of
Daniel F.
Cadigan.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 801) of George Holden Tinkham for legislation relative to the expenditure of money by city officials.

City officials, —
expenditures.

By Mr. Minihan of Cambridge, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 803) of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for legislation to authorize said city to extend and lay out Thorndike street across the Boston and Albany railroad at grade.

City of Cam-
bridge, —
Thorndike
street.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Johnson of Worcester, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 769) of Charles R. Johnson for an amendment to the Constitution authorizing verdicts in trials by jury in civil causes upon the agreement of a less number than the whole number of jurors. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional
amendment, —
verdicts of
juries.

By Mr. Dewey of Westfield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 770) of Charles E. Grinnell for legislation to authorize the town of Middleborough to construct a system of sewerage and to provide for the payment of the cost thereof. To the committee on Drainage.

Town of
Middleborough,
— sewerage.

By Mr. Wood of Woburn, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 799) of Angeline Buxton, George A. Hobbs and others for legislation to authorize women to vote for presidential electors.

Elections, —
woman suffrage.

By Mr. Whall of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 810) of Joseph B. Wermers for legislation to provide for the abolition of the board of election commissioners of the city of Boston.

City of Boston,
— board of
election com-
missioners.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 773) of Sidney Sanders and another for legislation to make parents liable for the torts of their minor children.

Parents, —
liability for
torts of minor
children.

By Mr. Davenport of Greenfield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 774) of William A. Davenport

Public officers,
— liability for
negligence.

for legislation to make counties, cities and towns liable for the negligence of public officers.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Intoxicating
liquors, — sale
near railroad
stations.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 777) of C. S. Pratt for legislation to prevent the indiscriminate granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the immediate vicinity of railroad stations.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
objections to
licenses.

By Mr. Bleiler of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 776) of George C. Baker for legislation to limit the time for objection by owners of real estate to the granting of liquor licenses.

Innholders
and victuallers,
— conditions in
licenses.

By Mr. Davis of Cambridge, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 775) of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for legislation to authorize the imposing of conditions in licenses granted to innholders and common victuallers.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Quasi-public
corporations.

By Mr. Foster of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 782) of George W. R. Harriman for legislation to provide for the regulation of certain quasi-public corporations.

Public infor-
mation regard-
ing business
concerns.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 781) of Sidney Sanders and another for legislation to provide for informing the public of the names, residences and responsibilities of parties doing business in the Commonwealth.

Public informa-
tion regarding
manufactured
goods.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 780) of Sidney Sanders and another for legislation to provide for informing the public of the nature and ingredients of manufactured goods sold or offered for sale in this Commonwealth.

Public work, —
awarding of con-
tracts.

By Mr. Stone of Sharon, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 779) of Doras M. Pierce for legislation relative to the awarding of contracts for work or materials by the officials of counties, cities and towns.

St. John's Cath-
olic Cemetery
Association.

By Mr. Wallace of Clinton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 778) of John W. Corcoran for legislation to authorize the St. John's Catholic Cemetery Association to purchase or take land for cemetery purposes.

Wires, — super-
vision of, in
cities.

By Mr. Feiker of Northampton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 800) of the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association for legislation relative to the regu-

lation and supervision of wires over streets or buildings in cities.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Ross of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 785) of Charles W. Pierce for legislation to authorize the park commissioners of the city of Boston to take Downing's Pond and Chandler's Pond in said city and the city of Newton.

City of Boston,
— Downing's
and Chandler's
ponds.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 807) of John A. Sawyer for legislation to authorize the city of Boston to construct an extension of Malvern street in said city.

City of Boston,
— Malvern
street.

By Mr. Skillings of Boston, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 767) of J. Henry Brooks for legislation to ratify and confirm certain action of the board of park commissioners of the city of Boston.

City of Boston,
— park com-
missioners.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

By Mr. Marden of Stoneham, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 786) of John F. Berry for legislation to provide for the payment of bounties to certain veterans of the town of Stoneham.

Town of Stone-
ham, — bounties
to certain vet-
erans.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 787) of John S. Gilmore and others for legislation to provide for a record of the Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the war of the rebellion.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
records.

By Mr. Balcom of Marlborough, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 784) of Michael Ward of Stoneham that he may be paid a bounty.

Michael Ward,
— bounty.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 802) of the Trustees of Donations to the Protestant Episcopal Church for authority to hold additional real and personal estate. To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Trustees of
Donations to
the Protestant
Episcopal
Church.

By Mr. Willard of Chelsea, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 804) of E. E. Willard for legislation to impose penalties upon public officers who expend money in excess of appropriations.

Public officers,
— penalty for
exceeding
appropriations.

By Mr. Dean of Wakefield, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 772) of Eleanor Hebb for legislation to reimburse her for the payment into the treasury of the Commonwealth of a portion of the estate of Charles Peters, her brother-in-law.

Eleanor Hebb.

Town of
Framingham, —
street watering.

By Mr. Balcom of Marlborough, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 788) of E. J. Slattery and others for legislation to legalize a vote of the town of Framingham providing for payment of cost of watering the streets during the mustering of the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia in 1898.

Guardians, —
release of rights
of an insane
married man.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 789) of E. P. Kendrick for legislation relative to the release of rights by statute by the guardian of an insane married man.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Annie H.
Corson.

By Mr. Newton of Everett, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 790) of H. Huestis Newton for legislation to compensate Annie H. Corson for injuries received while in the employ of the Commonwealth at the State Normal School at Bridgewater.

Free dispens-
aries.

By Mr. Andrews of Boston, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 791) of H. Warren White for legislation relative to applications for medical and surgical aid at free dispensaries.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Dead, —
transportation
and burial.

By Mr. Estes of Brockton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 792) of C. James Connelly for legislation relative to the transportation and burial of the dead.

Practice of
pharmacy.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 796) of Israel B. Kronberger for amendments to the law relative to the practice of pharmacy.

Cigarettes and
cigarette
tobacco.

By Mr. Haywood of Lynn, petition of C. Lucille Bancroft and others in aid of the petition for legislation to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes and cigarette tobacco.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

City of Boston,
— suburban
railroad fares.

By Mr. Ray of Ashland, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 795) of George G. Tidsbury and others for legislation to provide low rates for travel over railroads within a radius of twenty-five miles of the city of Boston. To the committee on Railroads.

Draught
wagons, —
width of tires.

By Mr. Reed of Taunton, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 794) of the Staple Coal Company for legislation to regulate the width of tires on draught wagons.

By the same gentleman, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 793) of Lafayette G. Blair for legislation to provide a penalty for trespassing on bicycle paths. Bicycle paths, — penalty for trespassing.
 Severally to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 809) of B. F. Butler Post 42, G. A. R., for legislation to provide for the erection of an equestrian statue of Major-General Benjamin F. Butler on the State House grounds. To the committees on State House and Military Affairs, sitting jointly. Butler, Major-General B. F., — equestrian statue.

By Mr. Mead of Everett, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 797) of William J. Brickley and others for legislation to require the Lynn and Boston Railroad Company to issue certain free transfers. To the committee on Street Railways. Lynn and Boston Railroad Company, — free transfers.

By Mr. Luce of Somerville, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 771) of Albert B. Fales for legislation to require fire insurance companies to furnish certain information to assessors concerning personal property. To the committee on Taxation. Fire insurance companies.

By Mr. Libby of Medford, petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 798) of John H. Carter for legislation to authorize towns to appropriate money for free public lectures. To the committee on Towns. Towns, — free public lectures.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Marden of Stoneham, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 806) of Helen L. Butterfield for legislation to provide for the payment of certain damages growing out of takings of the Metropolitan Park Commission. Metropolitan Park Commissioners, — Helen L. Butterfield.

By Mr. Twombly of Framingham, petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 805) of C. J. McPherson and others that an increased annuity may be allowed George Bent of Framingham. George Bent, — annuity.

Severally to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, petition of the president of the Fitchburg and Leominster Street Railway Company for legislation to authorize said company to act as a common carrier of freight and the United States mail. The same gentleman moved that the 9th joint rule Fitchburg and Leominster Street Railway Company.

be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Martha's Vine-
yard Street
Railway Com-
pany.

By Mr. Swift of Tisbury, petition of John A. Duggan and others for legislation to extend the time within which the Martha's Vineyard Street Railway Company shall locate and operate its railway. Mr. Dean of Brookline moved that the 9th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Charles River,
—dam between
Boston and
Cambridge.

By Mr. Favor of Gloucester, petition of Horace K. Osborn for legislation to provide for the erection of a dam in Charles River between the cities of Boston and Cambridge. Mr. Fisher of Amherst moved that the 9th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Key registering
companies, —
insurance laws.

By Mr. Campbell of Westfield, petition of the United States Registry Company for legislation to exempt key registering companies from the operation of the insurance laws. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Plymouth
County Rail-
road Company.

A petition of P. A. Underwood for legislation relative to the Plymouth County Railroad Company, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, having been deposited in his office as required by law, was referred (with accompanying bill, House, No. 808) to the committee on Railroads and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

East Boston, —
grade crossings.

A Bill (taken from the files of last year) relative to the crossings of railroads and public ways in East Boston (Senate, No. 90) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Railroads.

City of Boston,
—police.

A Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the granting of leave of absence to police officers in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 142) came down referred to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs. Mr. Hayes of Lowell moved that it be referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Cities, which motion, after debate, was lost. The bill was then referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

The following bill and resolve, introduced on leave, were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Bill relative to tenements and lodging-houses in the city of Boston. (Senate, No. 143.) To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs. City of Boston, — tenements and lodging-houses.

Resolve to authorize the purchase of portraits of former governors of the Commonwealth and of a picture painted by Robert Salmon. (Senate, No. 144.) To the committee on State House. Portraits of former governors.

The House petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 432) of John C. Kennedy and others for legislation relative to the penalty for keeping unlicensed dogs, referred by the House to the committee on Counties, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Probate and Insolvency. On motion of Mr. Stewart of Boston, the House receded from its reference to the committee on Counties and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the committee on Probate and Insolvency, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly. Unlicensed dogs, — penalty.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 145) of Arthur M. Clement and others for legislation to protect orchards from the ravages of the disease known as "peach yellows." Orchards, — "peach yellows."

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 146) of George Thatcher and others that the Board of Cattle Commissioners be abolished and a board of three commissioners appointed in its place. Board of Cattle Commissioners, — abolition.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 147) of J. L. Harrington and others for amendments of the law relative to contagious diseases among domestic animals. Domestic animals, — contagious diseases.

Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 148) of the mayor of the city of Boston that the building at the corner of St. James Avenue and Trinity Place in said city may be maintained at the height at which it is at present erected. City of Boston, — height of building at St. James Avenue and Trinity Place.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 149) of Edward F. Tracy and others for an amendment of the charter of the city of Boston relative to the term of office of mayor. City of Boston, — term of office of mayor.

City of Boston,
— children of
Frederic B.
Bogan.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 150) of Edward W. Presho that the city of Boston may be authorized to pay a certain sum of money to the children of the late Frederic B. Bogan.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

City of Boston,
— school build-
ings.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 151) of Charles Fleischer and others, members of the committee on legislative matters of the school committee of the city of Boston, for legislation relative to additions to, and alterations and repairs on, school buildings. To the committee on Education.

Real estate, —
redemption.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 116) of Henry C. Whitney for an amendment of the law for the redemption of real estate under foreclosure, execution or otherwise.

Estates of
deceased
persons, —
evidence in
actions.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 152) of Asa B. French for the repeal of the act relative to evidence in actions against the estates of deceased persons.

Commercial
paper, —
endorsers and
guarantors.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 153) of Henry C. Whitney for the enactment of a law to protect the endorsers and guarantors of commercial paper.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
employment of
women and
children.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 117) of John F. O'Sullivan for legislation to prohibit the employment of children under eighteen years of age and of women in places where intoxicating liquors are sold or prepared for sale. To the committee on Labor.

Electricity, —
sale.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 154) of John F. Wood and others for legislation to regulate the sale of electricity. To the committee on Manufactures.

Pratt Free
School.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 155) of Augustus Pratt and others that the Pratt Free School may reduce the number of its trustees.

Corporations, —
votes of stock-
holders.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 156) of William S. Swift that by-laws of corporations that prevent stockholders from casting, at meetings of shareholders, as many votes as they own shares of stock, may be repealed by statute.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

City of Boston,
— board of
street commis-
sioners.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 121) of Charles H. Innes for legislation relative to the board of street commissioners of the city of Boston.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 122) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation to provide for the construction of additional subways in the city of Boston. City of Boston, — additional subways.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 157) of Robert S. Peabody for legislation to establish a department of architecture in the city of Boston. City of Boston, — department of architecture.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 158) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation to permit the consolidation of the several petitions to be brought for damages sustained by the city of Boston under chapter 488 of the Acts of the year 1895 in one proceeding, and for the determination of said damages by commissioners appointed by the court. City of Boston, — consolidation of certain suits for damages.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 159) of the Boston Merchants' Association for legislation instructing the Boston Transit Commission to consider what should be done further to relieve the streets and promote rapid transit in the city of Boston. City of Boston, — rapid transit.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 128) of Peter F. Tague that former officers of the militia who joined provisional companies may be eligible for election to the offices previously held by them. Militia, — eligibility of certain officers for re-election.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 160) of Samuel W. George for legislation to restore to the Commander-in-Chief certain authority relative to the organization of the volunteer militia. Militia, — authority of Commander-in-Chief.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 129) of John E. Baldwin for the establishment of a new house of correction on one of the islands in Boston harbor. To the committee on Prisons. City of Boston, — new house of correction.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 132) of Henry C. Whitney for legislation granting a change of venue in civil cases. To the committee on Probate and Insolvency. Civil cases, — change of venue.

Petition (with accompanying resolve, Senate, No. 161) of John E. Baldwin and another that ten thousand dollars be appropriated for the use of the Carney Hospital. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. Carney Hospital, — State appropriation.

Public service,
— appointments.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 135) of Henry D. Yeaton for amendment of the law relative to appointments in the public service.

Civil service, —
repeal.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 162) of Henry D. Yeaton for the repeal of the act to improve the civil service of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof.

Labor, —
Saturday half-
holidays for
public em-
ployees.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 163) of John J. Mahoney and others that Saturday half-holidays be given to State, city, town and county employees.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Railroad com-
panies, — trans-
portation of
rowing-shells.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 164) of John A. Keliher that railroad corporations may be required to transport racing rowing-shells free of charge. To the committee on Railroads.

Width of tires.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 165) of J. C. Bennett and another for legislation relative to the width of tires.

Taunton Great
River, — draw
in bridge be-
tween Fall River
and Somerset.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 137) of Edward W. Thurston and others for legislation relative to the operating of the draw in the bridge across Taunton Great River between Fall River and Somerset.

Severally to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Street railway
companies, —
straightening
of roadbeds.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 166) of Joseph J. Feely for legislation authorizing street railway companies to purchase private property for the purpose of straightening their roadbeds. To the committee on Street Railways.

Town of
Wareham, —
public park.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 167) of W. L. Chipman and others that the town of Wareham may be authorized to take a certain parcel of land for a public park. To the committee on Towns.

Reports of Committees.

Frank O.
Squire, East-
ern Cold Stor-
age Company.

By Mr. Willard of Chelsea, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to ratify and confirm the franchises and locations of Frank O. Squire and of the Eastern Cold Storage Company in the city of Boston. (House, No. 176.)

Steamship
companies, —
passenger lists.

By Mr. King of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to steamship passenger lists (House, No. 202) ought to pass, in a new

draft, with the title, "Bill to require certain steamship companies to keep passenger lists." (House, No. 811.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, from the committee on Insurance, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to life insurance policies (House, No. 160) ought not to pass. Life insurance policies.

By Mr. Currier of Methuen, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to deposits and loans by employees (House, No. 203) ought not to pass. Employees,—deposits and loans.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, from the same committee, that the Bill to facilitate the sale of securities by the municipalities of the Commonwealth (House, No. 204) ought not to pass. Municipalities,—sale of securities.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. White of Somerville, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to enable the Metropolitan Park Commission to restore and enlarge the bath house and provide additional facilities at Revere Beach Reservation. (House, No. 196.) Read and, by unanimous consent, referred to the joint committee on Ways and Means and sent up for concurrence. Metropolitan Park Commissioners,—Revere Beach bath house and reservation.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Skillings of Boston, the Senate petition of Joseph W. Smith and Edward A. Horton for the removal of all the buildings belonging to the State between Mt. Vernon and Bowdoin streets on the east side of the State House, also that the buildings between Hancock Avenue and Joy street and Mt. Vernon and Beacon streets be taken by the State for public park purposes, was taken from the table, the question being on its reference, in concurrence, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs. State House,—open spaces on east and west sides.

Mr. Skillings moved that the petition be referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on State House and the committee on Cities, sitting jointly.

Mr. White of Somerville moved to amend the motion by striking out the words "and the committee on Cities, sitting jointly," which motion, after debate, was lost, by a vote of 64 to 65.

Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston moved to amend the motion of Mr. Skillings by the substitution of a motion to refer

the petition to the committees on State House and Metropolitan Affairs, sitting jointly, which motion was lost.

The motion of Mr. Skillings was then adopted, and the petition was sent up for concurrence in the reference to the committees on State House and Cities, sitting jointly.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the town of Wayland to refund a portion of its indebtedness ; and

To legalize certain proceedings of the town of Becket ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To cede certain land in Boston harbor and jurisdiction over the same to the United States for the purpose of extending the present limits of the United States Navy Yard ; and

To authorize the Needham and Boston Street Railway Company to operate its railway over private property ;
(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

Bills :

Relative to the regulation and supervision of wires over streets or buildings in the town of Arlington (House, No. 163) ;

To provide for the deposit of money in a savings bank in the name of a judge of probate and for the payment of the same (House, No. 170) ;

Relative to the price of certain writs (House, No. 220) ;

To incorporate the Federal Trust Company (House, No. 284) ;

Relative to days of grace on sight drafts (House, No. 739) ;

To incorporate the South Deerfield Cemetery Association (Senate, No. 13) ; and

To incorporate the Trustees of the French Protestant Church of Lowell (Senate, No. 39) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relative to the securing of materials by cities and towns for the construction, repair or improvement of streets or ways (House, No. 135) ;

To authorize the city of Newton to assess the cost of sewer connections (House, No. 207) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

To authorize the city of Boston and the city of Newton to make contracts for the disposal of certain sewage and water (House, No. 214);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Nonotuck Savings Bank (printed as House, No. 111) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (House, No. 133) was postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, on motion of Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Banks and Banking.

The Bill to authorize the sale by trustees and guardians of personal property in certain cases (Senate, No. 17) was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was postponed for consideration until Monday, on motion of Mr. Odlin of Andover.

On motion of Mr. Robinson of Springfield, at nine minutes past two o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, February 6, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Annual Reports.

The following reports, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, were severally referred:—

General Super-
intendent of
Prisons.

Twelfth annual report of the General Superintendent of Prisons (Pub. Doc. No. 41). To the committee on Prisons.

Board of
Registration in
Dentistry.

Twelfth annual report of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Dentistry (Pub. Doc. No. 38). To the committee on Public Health.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred:—

City of Taunton,
—superintend-
ent of streets.

By Mr. Donovan of Taunton, petitions of Patrick Cronin and others, John H. Hoyer and others, John J. Kavanaugh and others, Lewis King and others, Charles J. McCarthy and others, John O'Brien and others, Joseph Phillips and others and John Welch, 2d, and others,—severally, in aid of the Bill relative to the superintendent of streets in the city of Taunton.

City of Boston,
—sewerage
works.

By Mr. Toomey of Boston, petition of a committee of the South Boston Citizens' Association in aid of the petition for legislation to repeal the act relative to the sewerage works of the city of Boston and in aid of legislation for the repeal of chapter 419 of the Acts of the year 1897 relative to the watering of streets in cities.

Cities,—water-
ing of streets.

City of Boston,
—height of
buildings on
Beacon Hill.

By Mr. Twombly of Framingham, petition of Emma L. Clarke and others in aid of the petition for legislation to limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Woman
suffrage.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, petition of Mary A. Livermore, John G. B. Adams and others; by Mr. Andrews of Boston, petition of Anna H. Sanderson, Charles H.

Hunt and others ; by Mr. Blood of Fitchburg, petition of Elizabeth W. Osborn, John F. Bruce and others ; by Mr. Chadwick of Newton, petition of Ellen A. Parsons, George A. Parsons and others ; by Mr. Clerke of Boston, petition of Katharine H. Shute, Albert Leavens and others ; by Mr. Cook of Milford, petition of Mary J. C. Russell, Gustavus B. Williams and others ; by Mr. Coolidge of Cambridge, petition of Anna M. Allen, James Weld Carret and others ; by Mr. Davis of Cambridge, petition of Mary M. Nichols, J. W. Howard and others ; by Mr. Fisher of Amherst, petition of Mary A. Brewer, R. C. Jacobs and others ; by Mr. Foster of Boston, petition of Sarah F. Ware, John Cox and others ; by Mr. Goulding of Duxbury, petition of Lucy W. Thrusher, S. M. Copeland and others ; by Mr. Harvell of Rockland, petition of Rebecca T. Collins, C. P. Moore and others ; by Mr. Howland of Dartmouth, petition of Caroline S. Cushman, F. E. Wellington and others ; by Mr. Kells of Boston, petition of Ruth M. Greene, William W. Nichols and others ; by Mr. Langford of Newton, petition of Mary C. Tolman, Nathaniel T. Allen and others ; by Mr. Libby of Medford, petition of Sarah A. Cotton, Fredrick Hanson and others ; by Mr. Lowe of New Bedford, petition of Ada W. Tillinghast, Oliver Prescott, Jr., and others ; by Mr. Marchesseault of Spencer, petition of Hattie E. Granger, R. E. Smith and others ; by Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, petition of Ellen M. Lee, Howard C. Torrey and others ; by Mr. Minton of Boston, petition of Eva Channing, F. T. Beatty and others ; by Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition of Margaret A. Purcell and other students of Radcliffe College ; by Mr. Nickerson of Harwich, petition of Florence H. Crowell, Daniel B. Taylor and others ; by Mr. Paton of Leominster, petition of Henrietta M. Gates, H. C. Bascom and others ; by Mr. Powers of Malden, petition of Ella R. McRae, Francis Hinckley and others ; by Mr. Reed of Taunton, petition of Anna S. Cutler, John P. Burdick and others ; by Mr. Robinson of Springfield, petition of Julia C. Ohnesorge, George E. Howes and others ; by Mr. Root of Boston, petition of Charlotte Bowditch, George A. O. Ernst and others ; by Mr. Ross of Boston, petition of Sarah F. Hapgood, Theodore B. Hapgood and others ; by Mr. Ross of New Bedford, petition of Angeline Ricketson, Alanson Borden and others ; by Mr. Saunders of Boston, peti-

tion of Lucy H. Snell, Josiah Batcheller and others; by Mr. Skinner of Watertown, petition of Caroline A. R. Whiting, Winthrop L. Chenery and others; by Mr. Smith of Dover, petition of Bessie E. Hazen, F. C. Shultis and others; by Mr. Smith of Waltham, petition of Isabella Orne, George T. Jones and others; by Mr. Sparks of Dracut, petition of Maria B. Fox, Charles Gould and others; by Mr. Stalker of Boston, petition of Emma G. Dillaway, Harvey Jones and others; by Mr. Stewart of Boston, petition of Mary E. Little, Walter L. Hayes and others; by Mr. Stone of Sharon, petition of Emma G. Bowman, William R. Mann and others; and by Mr. Wood of Woburn, petition of F. C. P. Wheeler and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize women to vote for presidential electors and in municipal elections.

Severally to the committee on Elections Laws.

County of
Nantucket, —
fisheries.

By Mr. Andrews of Nantucket, remonstrances of David Folger and others against the granting of the petition for legislation to prevent the use of seines, nets and other devices in the waters of the county of Nantucket. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

District Court
of Eastern
Franklin.

By Mr. Brooks of Orange, petitions of M. G. Chamberlain and others and William L. Lathrop and others, — severally, in aid of the Bill to establish the District Court of Eastern Franklin.

Province Laws.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition of R. C. Winthrop, Jr., and others; and by Mr. Stone of Springfield, petition of the president of the Lynn Historical Society, — severally, in aid of the Bill to provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Cigarettes
and cigarette
tobacco.

By Mr. Porter of Lynn, petition of Harry A. Maxwell and others in aid of the petition for legislation to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes and cigarette tobacco. To the committee on Public Health.

Town of North-
field, — Con-
necticut River
bridge.

By Mr. Brooks of Orange, remonstrance of C. L. Robbins and others against the granting of the petition of the New London Northern Railroad Company and the receivers of the Central Vermont Railroad Company for legislation relative to the bridge over the Connecticut

River in the town of Northfield. To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Adams of Barre, petition of M. T. Knapp and others; by Mr. Adams of Melrose, petition of Frank R. Upham and others; by Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, petition of Jonas S. Hunt and others; by Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, petition of Charles K. Sawyer and others; by Mr. Cole of Beverly, petitions of John M. Murney and others and George E. Safford and others; by Mr. Crosby of Arlington, petition of George I. Doe and others; by Mr. Crosby of Barnstable, petitions of William R. Gibbs and others and Edwin F. Laurence and others; by Mr. Crouch of Northampton, petition of H. C. Smith and another; by Mr. Davis of Cambridge, petition of Joshua G. Gooch and others; by Mr. Estes of Brockton, petition of George A. Grant and others; by Mr. Hawes of Weymouth, petition of Ansel O. Clark and others; by Mr. Hayes of Lowell, petition of Abel Wheeler and others; by Mr. Howland of Dartmouth, petition of William H. Hoeg, Jr., and others; by Mr. King of Holbrook, petition of George B. French and others; by Mr. Leland of Templeton, petition of Henry C. Newell and others; by Mr. Litchfield of Middleborough, petition of Jabez B. Thompson and others; by Mr. Miller of Southwick, petition of E. H. Seymour and others; by Mr. Pike of Groveland, petition of John Parkhurst and others; by Mr. Rounseville of Rochester, petition of Peleg B. Hadley and others; by Mr. Shaw of Raynham, petition of Jacob A. Blake and others; by Mr. Trow of Salem, petition of J. Shove Symonds and others; and by Mr. Twombly of Framingham, petition of James E. Hall and others,—severally, in aid of the Bill to require complete returns from foreign companies doing business in this Commonwealth.

Foreign corporations,—
complete
returns.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Crosby of Barnstable, petition of Joshua C. Robinson and others for legislation relative to the session of the Superior Court for the county of Barnstable. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

County of
Barnstable,—
Superior Court
sessions.

By Mr. Crosby of Barnstable, petition of Freeman H. Lothrop and others for legislation relative to the sessions

First District
Court of
Barnstable,—
sessions.

of the First District Court of Barnstable. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence:—

Committee on
Metropolitan
Affairs, —
travel.

Ordered, That the committee on Metropolitan Affairs be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of its duties.

Resolves:

Adjutant-Gen-
eral, — war
records.

Id.

To provide for the preservation of the war records in the office of the Adjutant-General (Senate, No. 43); and

Relative to completing the index of the war records and re-writing the war-record books in the office of the Adjutant-General (Senate, No. 44);

(Severally introduced on leave in the Senate);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence:—

Constitutional
amendment, —
woman suffrage.

Petition (with accompanying resolve, Senate, No. 170) of Esther F. Boland and others for a constitutional amendment striking out the word "male" from the qualifications of voters. To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Somerville
Police Relief
Association.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 171) of Melville C. Parkhurst and others for the incorporation of the Somerville Police Relief Association. To the committee on Insurance.

Civil process, —
abuse.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 172) of Ralph A. Stewart for legislation to prevent the abuse of civil process.

Equity hear-
ings.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 173) of Henry C. Whitney for an amendment of the law relative to equity hearings.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Intoxicating
liquors, poisons,
criminal abor-
tion, illegiti-
mate children,
prostitutes.

Petition of Charles Augustus Fernald and others for legislation to control the sale of alcoholic liquors and of poisons, to punish criminal abortion and to provide that illegitimate children shall be wards of the State, and to provide that a certain location in each city shall be set

apart for the occupancy of prostitutes. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 174) of the Worcester Natural History Society for legislation to limit its active membership and to provide for an associate membership. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs. Worcester Natural History Society.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 176) of William S. Briggs and others that the town of Lincoln may be included in the judicial district of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex. Town of Lincoln, — judicial district.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 177) of Thomas C. Day for legislation relative to the sale of real estate by public administrators. Real estate, — sales by public administrators.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 178) of Arthur A. Maxwell for a modification of the law relative to the disposition of cases in which arrests are made without warrant. Arrests without warrant.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 179) of William N. Bullard and another, for the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics, relative to the admission of patients to the said hospital. Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics, — admissions.

Petition (with accompanying resolve, Senate, No. 180) of William N. Bullard and another, for the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics, for legislation to provide for certain new buildings and improvements at said hospital. Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics, — new buildings and improvements.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

A petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 175) of Frederick W. Dallinger that authority be granted the Cambridge Bridge Commission to construct an island or islands in Charles River if necessary to complete the construction of the new Cambridge bridge, referred by the Senate, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct; and Charles River bridge.

A petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 181) of the Brockton, Bridgewater and Taunton Street Railway Company for authority to act as a common carrier of fuel and supplies for street railway purposes; and Brockton, Bridgewater and Taunton Street Railway Company.

Providence
and Taunton
Street Railway
Company.

A petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 182) of the Providence and Taunton Street Railway Company for authority to act as a common carrier of fuel and supplies for street railway purposes ;

Severally referred by the Senate, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, in each case, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct ;

Were severally referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Reports of Committees.

City of
Newburyport,
— alderman-at-
large.

By Mr. Donovan of Taunton, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 232) of the mayor of the city of Newburyport for legislation to authorize the election of an alderman-at-large in said city.

Massachusetts
Board of
Registration in
Pharmacy.

By Mr. Jeremiah F. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the thirteenth annual report of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy (Pub. Doc. No. 39).

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of
Newburyport,
— board of
aldermen.

By Mr. Donovan of Taunton, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill relative to the board of aldermen of the city of Newburyport. (House, No. 231.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

Motion to Go into Committee of the Whole.

Committee of
the whole, —
treaty of peace.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved that the House resolve itself into a committee of the whole forthwith, to consider if it be fitting and wise for this House to give expression to an opinion upon the proposed departure of the United States from the tradition of the Republic by the assumption of sovereignty of a distant land in disregard of the will of the people thereof.

After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Bennett of Saugus, by a vote of 107 to 62.

On the question on the adoption of the motion, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mellen, and the roll being called the motion was rejected, by a vote of 54 yeas to 131 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Balcom, George

Bleiler, John
 Bresnahan, Hugh W.
 Bridgeo, William
 Bugbee, Nelson A.
 Carey, James F.
 Conroy, Thomas A.
 Cullinane, Richard
 Currier, Guy W.
 Daly, William
 Dean, Charles A.
 Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
 Dillon, Thomas J.
 Donahue, Thomas
 Donovan, Edward J.
 Donovan, Eugene E.
 Donovan, James H.
 Dooling, Thomas J.
 Douglass, John J.
 Fitzgerald, William T. A.
 Flanagan, John J.
 Gaddis, Michael E.
 Gartland, John J., Jr.
 Grant, Oliver S.
 Green, Thomas H.
 Hancock, Portus B.
 Harriman, Charles H.

Messrs. Jones, Michael B.

Kane, Daniel J.
 Kells, William, Jr.
 Keyou, Nicholas B.
 King, Charles F.
 Lanergan, John P.
 Lomasney, Martin M.
 Mackey, Thomas
 Mahoney, David A.
 Mansfield, Matthew M.
 Marchesseault, Eugene D.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Minihan, Cornelius
 Minton, John M.
 Montgomery, James A.
 Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
 Queeney, James H.
 Quigley, William J.
 Ray, Albert H.
 Scates, Louis M.
 Sparks, John T.
 Sullivan, Timothy F.
 Toland, John I.
 Toomey, John J.
 Twomey, Edmund J.
 Whelan, John B.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.

Adams, Charles H.
 Ainsworth, Wilfred
 Apey, Albert S.
 Bartlett, Edwin
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Blood, Charles H.
 Brigham, William M.
 Brooks, Charles C.
 Brown, Henry L.
 Bullock, William J.
 Burgess, Albert H.
 Burrington, Lester L.
 Campbell, Andrew
 Carleton, George H.
 Chadwick, N. Henry
 Chandler, Leonard B.

Messrs. Chapple, William D.

Chase, Henry L.
 Clerke, Charles S.
 Cluer, Arthur H.
 Conwell, Robert E.
 Cook, Clifford A.
 Coolidge, Daniel S.
 Corey, Charles V.
 Crosby, Aaron S.
 Crosby, Alfred R.
 Crosby, J. Howell
 Dalton, J. Frank
 Davis, Daniel W.
 Davis, William R.
 Dean, Benjamin C.
 Drake, Frederic P.
 Dudley, George J.

Messrs. Dumond, John B.

Eddy, Curtis
 Ellsworth, J. Lewis
 Estes, Eugene B.
 Feiker, William H.
 Fisher, George E.
 Fitts, Frank E.
 Folsom, Albert T.
 Foster, Frank A.
 Francis, Frank W.
 Frost, Archie N.
 Hagberg, John G.
 Harvell, Elisha T.
 Harvie, Robert B.
 Harwood, George F.
 Harwood, Herbert J.
 Haskins, Leander M.
 Hawes, Martin E.
 Hayes, William H. I.
 Haywood, Charles E.
 Heath, Guilford P.
 Henderson, Francis D.
 Hooper, Franklin K.
 Howard, Robert
 Howland, Charles W.
 Howland, Willard
 Huntress, Franklin E.
 Johnson, Charles R.
 Keith, Charles P.
 King, Randolph V.
 Langford, John T.
 Learoyd, Addison P.
 Leland, Francis
 Libby, John F.
 Litchfield, James A.
 Litchfield, William C.
 Lockhart, Alexander
 Lowe, John H.
 Luce, Robert
 Marchant, Charles S.
 Marden, William H.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
 Mead, Edward C.
 Miller, Charles H.
 Mills, Charles P.
 Morrison, Andrew H.
 Morse, Merrick A.
 Munroe, John P.
 Myers, James J.

Messrs. Neal, David

Newton, H. Huestis
 Newton, Phinehas S.
 Odlin, William
 Parker, William C.
 Paton, Alexander S.
 Persons, Charles H.
 Pike, William T.
 Porter, Thomas F.
 Powers, John A.
 Puffer, Herbert C.
 Ramsdell, Charles H.
 Reed, Silas D.
 Root, Albert B.
 Ross, Leonard W.
 Rounseville, Albert
 Russell, Arthur P.
 Salter, William R.
 Sands, Edward P.
 Selfridge, George S.
 Severance, Joseph C.
 Shaw, Nathan W.
 Sheppard, Eben W.
 Simmons, Arthur A.
 Skinner, Henry R.
 Smith, Allen F.
 Smith, Charles F. A.
 Spooner, Wallace
 Sprague, Eugene H.
 Stalker, Hugh L.
 Stanley, Benjamin F.
 Stone, Silas A.
 Stone, Willmore B.
 Swift, William S.
 Tatman, Charles T.
 Tolman, William
 Trow, Charles E.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Twombly, Horatio F.
 Upson, Charles H.
 Varney, George E.
 Watson, Walter S.
 Weston, Walter S.
 Whall, Harry B.
 Wheeler, William D.
 Willard, Edward E.
 Williams, George F.
 Wood, Alva S.

54 yeas ; 131 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced :—

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d	Messrs. Gilpatric, Fred C.*
McLoughlin, William I.*	Whipple, John J.
Love, Joseph P.*	Leslie, George F.
McIsaac, Daniel V.*	Hopewell, William
Miller, William J.*	Sisson, Robert S.
Sullivan, Michael J.	Battles, David W.*

* Present.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Making appropriations for the expenses of the Board of Bills enacted.
Free Public Library Commissioners ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the
department of the Adjutant-General and for sundry other
military expenses ;

Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts war
loan sinking fund ; and

To authorize the Vesper Boat Club and the Lowell
Country Club to consolidate ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent
to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill relative to life insurance policies (House, No. Orders of the
160) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on day.
Insurance, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to facilitate the sale of securities by the
municipalities of the Commonwealth (House, No. 204)
was rejected, as recommended by the joint committee on
the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

To ratify and confirm the franchises and locations of
Frank O. Squire and of the Eastern Cold Storage Com-
pany in the city of Boston (House, No. 176) ; and

To require certain steamship companies to keep passen-
ger lists (House, No. 811) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a
third reading.

Bills:

To provide for the deposit of money in a savings bank in the name of a judge of probate and for the payment of the same (House, No. 170) ;

Relative to the filling of vacancies in the board of aldermen of the city of Newton (House, No. 206) ;

Relative to the price of certain writs (House, No. 220) ;
and

To incorporate the Federal Trust Company (House, No. 284) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Trustees of the French Protestant Church of Lowell (Senate, No. 39) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the sale by trustees and guardians of personal property in certain cases (Senate, No. 17) was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr. Simmons of Grafton moved to amend as follows : —

By inserting “ *Section 1* ” before the word “ Trustees,” in line 1 ;

By striking out, in line 7, the words “ and reinvest the proceeds ; ” and

By adding the following new section : “ *Section 2.* Such trustees and guardians may reinvest such proceeds of sale and may invest any personal property of the trust fund or of the ward, not previously invested by a prior trustee or guardian, without obtaining license of any court: *provided*, that all such proceeds and personal property shall be invested only in securities which are legal investments for Massachusetts savings banks at the time of such investment; otherwise such trustees and guardians shall first obtain license of the court having jurisdiction of such trust funds and wards before making original investment of said personal property, and before reinvesting such proceeds of sale.”

Pending the amendments and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Chapple of Salem.

The Bill relative to deposits and loans by employees (House, No. 203) was postponed for consideration until

Thursday next, on motion of Mr. Frost of Lawrence, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill relative to days of grace on sight drafts (House, No. 739) was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, Mr. Twombly of Framingham moved that it be postponed for consideration until Thursday next.

Mr. Dean of Brookline moved that it be laid on the table, which motion was lost.

The motion to postpone was also lost.

Mr. Dean further moved that the bill be recommitted to the joint committee on the Judiciary, which motion was lost.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the regulation and supervision of wires over streets or buildings in the town of Arlington (House, No. 163) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a "Bill to regulate and supervise electric wires in the town of Arlington" (House, No. 812), which was read.

Pending the amendment and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Newton of Everett.

On motion of Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, at twenty-four minutes past four o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 7, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally presented and referred:—

Public schools,
—physiology
and hygiene.

By Mr. Harwood of Littleton, petition of the Middlesex Union Association of Congregational Ministers; and by Mr. Leland of Templeton, petition of Leopold E. Scharf, Mary A. Adams and others,—severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools. Severally to the committee on Education.

Woman
suffrage.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, petition of Amanda Woodbury, Charles H. Adams and others; by Mr. Andrews of Boston, petition of Elizabeth C. Bailey, William S. Messenger and others; by Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, petition of Minnie E. Forristall and others; by Mr. Campbell of Westfield, petition of Alice B. Daniels, C. E. Perkins and others; by Mr. Chadwick of Newton, petition of Jane M. Hastings, George A. Walton and others; by Mr. Clerke of Boston, petition of Annie L. Redfair, Albert P. Blinn and others; by Mr. Coolidge of Cambridge, petition of Florence Dexter, Samuel Boyer and others; by Mr. Davis of Cambridge, petition of Sarah A. Buck, John A. Crawford and others; by Mr. Haskins of Rockport, petition of Ruth E. Candlin, X. D. Tingley and others; by Mr. Minton of Boston, petition of Elizabeth S. Bruty, George A. Cowder and others; by Mr. Montgomery of Cambridge, petition of Dora F. Ackerman, Alfred Mather and others; by Mr. Nickerson of Harwich, petition of Mercy B. Nickerson, Charles Smith and others; by Mr. Parker of Boston, petition of Ruth M. Miles and others; by Mr. Paton of Leominster, petition of Juliette Yean, F. H. Pope and others; by Mr. Root of Boston, petition of Ella A. Kelton, John N. Wills and others; by Mr. Sands of Boston, petition of Lucy Appleton and others; by Mr. Saunders of Boston,

petition of Abbie Buckley, James G. Colman and others; by Mr. Seavey of Lynn, petition of Jennie L. Chamberlin, Charles S. Sargent and others; by Mr. Skillings of Boston, petition of Ellen E. Brazer, William G. Marston and others; by Mr. Skinner of Watertown, petition of Annie E. McAleese, Frank Chandler and others; by Mr. Stalker of Boston, petition of Harriet Wellock and others; and by Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, petition of Helen R. Bradley, H. W. Kingman and others, — severally, in aid of the petitions for legislation to authorize women to vote for presidential electors and in municipal elections.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

By Mr. Bullock of New Bedford, remonstrances of William J. Long and others and Isaac B. Rich and others; by Mr. Clerke of Boston, remonstrance of Philip Law and others; by Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, remonstrance of William H. Raymond and others; by Mr. Hayes of Lowell, remonstrance of C. James Connelly and others; and by Mr. Kells of Boston, remonstrances of A. S. Adams and others and D. J. McAuliffe and others, — severally, against the passage of the Bill to protect public parks, parkways and boulevards from disfigurement.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Balcom of Marlborough, petition of Thomas M. Dacey and others; by Mr. Henderson of Rowley, petition of Milton Ellsworth and others; by Mr. Hooper of Manchester, petition of Alfred S. Jewett and others; by Mr. Miller of Pepperell, petition of Harry F. Bingham and others; and by Mr. Sheppard of Quincy, petition of the mayor and others of the city of Quincy, — severally, in aid of the Bill to require complete returns from foreign companies doing business in this Commonwealth.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The House petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 726) of Asa Haley for legislation relative to the equipment and operation of drawbridges, referred by the House to the committee on Roads and Bridges, came down re-

Public parks
and parkways,
— disfigure-
ment.

Foreign cor-
porations, —
complete
returns.

Drawbridges, —
equipment
and operation.

ferred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Railroads. On motion of Mr. Sands of Boston, the House receded from its reference to the committee on Roads and Bridges and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the committee on Railroads, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Woman
suffrage.

Petitions of Sarah Ross and others, Annie E. Wallcut and others and Minnie M. Allen and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize women to vote for presidential electors and for municipal officers.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

R. H. Hinkley,
Jr., and others,
— street railway
company.

Petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 183) of R. H. Hinkley, Jr., that he and his associates may be incorporated as a street railway company. To the committee on Street Railways.

Soldiers and
sailors, — taxa-
tion.

Petition of F. G. Shaw and others, members of E. J. Griggs Post No. 97, G. A. R., in aid of the petition for legislation to lessen the burden of taxation upon certain soldiers and sailors and the wives and widows of such soldiers and sailors. To the committee on Taxation.

Reports of Committees.

Connecticut
River, — bridge
between
Northampton
and Hadley.

By Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, from the committee on Counties, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 100) of John E. Bates and others for legislation to provide for altering and rebuilding the highway bridge over the Connecticut River between the city of Northampton and the town of Hadley.

Walter H.
Gilman, —
annuity.

By Mr. Harlow of Whitman, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 117) of J. W. Bennett and others for legislation to authorize the payment of an annuity to Walter H. Gilman.

State Pension
Agent.

By Mr. Goulding of Duxbury, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State Pension Agent (House, No. 34).

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the committee on Ways and Means, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Samuel Hillman. (House, No. 178.)

Samuel Hillman.

By Mr. Francis of New Bedford, from the committee on Counties, on a petition, a Bill relative to the travelling expenses of the special justice of the First District Court of Bristol. (House, No. 194.)

First District Court of Bristol, — travelling expenses of special justice.

By Mr. Brown of Weston, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Stoneham to refund certain taxes. (House, No. 177.)

Town of Stoneham, — refunding of taxes.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Resolve to provide for the preservation of the war records in the office of the Adjutant-General (Senate, No. 43) ought to pass.

Adjutant-General, — war records.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve relative to completing the index of the war records and re-writing the war-record books in the office of the Adjutant-General (Senate, No. 44) ought to pass.

Id.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Frank L. Garland (Senate, No. 32) ought to pass.

Frank L. Garland.

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, from the same committee, that the Resolve relative to the instruction of the adult blind ought to pass. (House, No. 813.)

Adult blind, — instruction.

By Mr. McIsaac of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) in favor of the mother of James T. Mahony, Jr. (House, No. 370), ought to pass.

Mother of James T. Mahony, Jr.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Nickerson of Harwich, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, that the Bill (introduced on leave) making an appropriation for the reclamation of the Province Lands and the preservation of Provincetown harbor (House, No. 122) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title, "Bill making an appropriation for the reclamation of the Province Lands for the benefit of Provincetown harbor." Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Province Lands, — Provincetown harbor.

By Mr. Lowe of New Bedford, from the committee on Education, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) in

Bridgewater Normal School.

favor of the Bridgewater Normal School (House, No. 423) ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Donahue of Fall River, the following order was taken from the table : —

Telegraph and
telephone
companies, —
State control.

Ordered, That a joint special committee be appointed to investigate the question of the ownership and control by the Commonwealth of telegraph and telephone lines.

On motion of the same gentleman, the order was amended by striking out the words "a joint special committee be appointed to," and inserting in place thereof the words "the committee on Mercantile Affairs," and, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the Civil Service Commission (which originated in the House) ; and

To incorporate the Nonotuck Savings Bank (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

Trustees and
guardians, —
sale of personal
property.

On motion of Mr. Simmons of Grafton, the Bill to authorize the sale by trustees and guardians of personal property in certain cases (Senate, No. 17) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the amendments previously moved and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was recommitted to the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on further motion of the same gentleman.

City of New-
buryport, —
alderman-at-
large.

On motions of Mr. Donovan of Taunton, the report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 232) of the mayor of the city of Newburyport for legislation to authorize the election of an alderman-at-large in said city, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the thirteenth annual report of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy (Pub. Doc. No. 39) was accepted and sent up for concurrence. Orders of the day.

The Bill relative to the board of aldermen of the city of Newburyport (House, No. 231) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to require certain steamship companies to keep passenger lists (House, No. 811) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the regulation and supervision of wires over streets or buildings in the town of Arlington (House, No. 163) was amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by the substitution of the bill printed as House, No. 812, and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Battles of Brockton, at nineteen minutes past two o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 8, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Member Qualified.

Member
qualified.

Mr. Lombard of Springfield, a member-elect, being present, Mr. Folsom of Springfield was appointed a committee to conduct him to the Council Chamber to be qualified. Subsequently, Mr. Folsom reported that Mr. Lombard had been duly qualified as a member of the House.

Reports.

Board of Rail-
road Commis-
sioners, — rail-
road corpora-
tions.

Part I. of the thirtieth annual report of the Board of Railroad Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 14) relating to railroad corporations, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was referred to the committee on Railroads and sent up for concurrence.

Boundary line
between
Massachusetts
and New
Hampshire.

A report of the commissioners appointed to ascertain and establish the boundary line between this Commonwealth and the State of New Hampshire was received and was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Introduced on Leave.

Public schools,
— studies.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, a Bill relative to studies in the public schools. (House, No. 817.) Read and referred to the committee on Education and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally presented and referred: —

Woman
suffrage.

By Mr. Adams of Barre, petition of Jane E. Damon, George H. Benchley and others; by Mr. Adams of Melrose, petition of Annie M. Selee, George A. Baker and others; by Mr. Andrews of Boston, petition of Mary L. Simpson, A. S. Gumbart and others; by Mr. Brooks of Orange, petition of Mary E. Ballard, Frank L. Hamilton and others; by Mr. Bushnell of Sheffield, petition of Martha B. Allen, Leon D. Bliss and others; by Mr.

Clerke of Boston, petition of Mary K. Tuttle, Mark J. Kezer and others; by Mr. Corey of Sturbridge, petition of Mary F. Holmes, B. A. Conway and others; by Mr. Crosby of Arlington, petition of Lucy M. Harmon, William W. Tufts and others; by Mr. Davis of Cambridge, petition of Eleanor M. Robinson, Harold P. Hughman and others; by Mr. Dean of Brookline, petition of Estelle Redington, Edward Atkinson and others; by Mr. Dumond of Boston, petition of Mary Green, John F. Foss and others; by Mr. Fitts of Somerville, petition of Martha Perry Lowe and others; by Mr. Gilpatric of Boston, petition of Georgia E. Kidder, Charles L. Jacobs and others; by Mr. Henderson of Rowley, petition of Adaline M. Waters, E. F. Morton and others; by Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition of Sarah E. Hudson, G. L. Giles and others; by Mr. Keith of Cambridge, petition of Susan C. Thompson and others; by Mr. Kyle of Plymouth, petition of Marion W. Collingwood, William H. Clark and others; by Mr. Langford of Newton, petition of Julia A. Willey, E. E. Stiles and others; by Mr. Minton of Boston, petition of Edith Baldwin, Isaac Walters and others; by Mr. Prindle of Williamstown, petition of Martha C. Stuke, Edward T. Fisher and others; by Mr. Root of Boston, petition of Kate W. Fox, James L. Plimpton and others; by Mr. Ross of Boston, petition of Eliza J. Bates, J. P. C. Winship and others; by Mr. Rounseville of Rochester, petition of Arabella Ames, Frank W. Paige and others; by Mr. Russell of Boston, petition of Lydia P. Mitchell A. H. Macdonald and others; by Mr. Sands of Boston, petition of Ellen E. Archibald and others; by Mr. Saunders of Boston, petition of Georgiana Avery and others; by Mr. Smith of Dover, petition of Sarah E. M. Kingsbury, Edward Hill and others; by Mr. Stalker of Boston, petition of Anna R. Coltman, Alfred A. Woodside and others; by Mr. Sullivan of Natick, petition of Maria R. Hardy, William H. Rowe and others; and by Mr. Toland of Boston, petition of Ella T. Downey and others, — severally, in aid of the petitions for legislation to authorize women to vote for presidential electors and in municipal elections.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

By Mr. Brooks of Orange, petitions of C. E. Bass and others and F. W. Newland and others, — severally, in

District Court
of Eastern
Franklin.

aid of the Bill to establish the District Court of Eastern Franklin.

Public parks
and parkways,
— disfigure-
ment.

By Mr. Smith of Waltham, remonstrances of Frank T. Horgan and others and Richard F. Barry and others, — severally, against the passage of the Bill to protect public parks, parkways and boulevards from disfigurement.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Foreign corpo-
rations, —
complete
returns.

By Mr. Adams of Barre, petition of Matthew Walker and others; by Mr. Ames of Lowell, petition of Josiah Wright and others; by Mr. Bushnell of Sheffield, petition of Frank Kline and another; by Mr. Crosby of Arlington, petition of Walter Wellington and others; by Mr. Dudley of Sutton, petition of S. P. Perry and others; by Mr. Harvie of North Adams, petition of John H. Smith and others; by Mr. Prindle of Williamstown, petition of S. L. Northup and others; by Mr. Quigley of Chelmsford, petition of Arthur H. Sheldon and others; by Mr. Robinson of Springfield, petition of George B. Smith and others; and by Mr. Simmons of Grafton, petition of Daniel Wheeler and others, — severally, in aid of the Bill to require complete returns from foreign companies doing business in this Commonwealth.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Labor organi-
zations, —
right to patrol
in certain cases.

By Mr. Sheppard of Quincy, petition of the committee on rules of the Quincy Branch of the Granite Cutters' National Union for legislation to authorize labor organizations to patrol in vicinities in which there exists any strike, lockout or suspension of work. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Norman Y.
Brintnall.

By Mr. Twomey of Boston, petition of Norman Y. Brintnall for legislation to compensate him for the loss of a horse killed in the service of the Commonwealth. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

South Middle-
borough Ceme-
tery Associa-
tion.

By Mr. Litchfield of Middleborough, petition of W. C. Litchfield for legislation to provide for an amendment of the charter of the South Middleborough Cemetery Association. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint

rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, petition of the mayor of the city of Brockton for legislation to authorize said city to incur indebtedness for the improvement of its public streets and ways. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

City of Brockton, — indebtedness for streets.

Papers from the Senate.

A Resolve providing for the making of surveys and plans of the State House grounds and of lands and buildings adjacent thereto and for the furnishing of estimates of the value of such adjacent lands (Senate, No. 185) (reported on the Governor's address, Senate, No. 1, in part), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

State House, — surveys and plans of grounds and buildings adjacent.

The House Bill (introduced on leave) relative to licensing dealers in securities (House, No. 636), referred by the House to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, came down referred, in non-concurrence to the joint committee on the Judiciary. On motion of Mr. Kyle of Plymouth, the House receded from its reference to the committee on Mercantile Affairs and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the joint committee on the Judiciary, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Dealers in securities, — licenses.

The House petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 662) of James H. Kelly for legislation relative to speeding horses and betting at races and fairs, referred by the House to the committee on Agriculture, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary. On motion of Mr. Stone of Springfield, the House receded from its reference to the committee on Agriculture, and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the joint committee on the Judiciary, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Races and fairs, — speeding horses and betting.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of Joseph Parant and others in aid of the petition of Charles F. Sargent and others for legislation to

Election day, — half-holiday.

provide for a half-holiday on State and city elections. To the committee on Election Laws.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
number of
licenses.

Petition of John D. Driscoll and others in aid of the petition of Charles F. Sargent and others for legislation repealing, under certain conditions, the law limiting the number of licenses to be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Acushnet
River, — bridge
between New
Bedford and
Fairhaven.

A petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 184) of Edmund Anthony, Jr., and others for legislation relative to the relocation and widening of the old bridge over the Acushnet River between the city of New Bedford and the town of Fairhaven, referred by the Senate, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Railroads, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Reports of Committees.

Manufacture of
steel, — bounty.

By Mr. Smith of Waltham, from the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 472) of John W. Ayres for legislation to authorize the appointment of a commission to consider the advisability of paying a bounty for the manufacture of steel within the Commonwealth. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the committee on Ways and Means, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the compensation and expenses of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game. (House, No. 816.)

City of North
Adams, —
refunding of
indebtedness.

By Mr. Brown of North Adams, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of North Adams to refund its present indebtedness. (House, No. 273.)

Town of North
Andover, —
water bonds.

By Mr. Crosby of Attleborough, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of North Andover to issue water bonds. (House, No. 282.)

Town of
Andover, —
board of public
works.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Andover to unite under a board of public works its board of water commissioners and its board of sewer commissioners. (House, No. 410.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to provide school registers and other school blanks for the towns and cities of the Commonwealth ought to pass. (House, No. 815.)

Public schools,
— registers and
other blanks.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the Bridgewater Normal School (House, No. 423) ought to pass.

Bridgewater
Normal School.

Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the annual report of the Attorney-General (Pub. Doc. No. 12) and the Bill (introduced on leave) to define the crime of larceny (House, No. 265) reported (in part on the report of the Attorney-General) that the bill ought to pass.

Larceny.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Donahue of Fall River, from the committee on Prisons, on the twenty-eighth annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons (Pub. Doc. No. 13), in part, a Bill relative to the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Commissioners
of Prisons, —
annual report.

Reconsideration.

On motion of Mr. Porter of Lynn, the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the Bill to require certain steamship companies to keep passenger lists (House, No. 811) was reconsidered.

Steamship com-
panies, — pas-
senger lists.

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Porter moved to amend by striking out section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following: "Section 2. Any violation of the provisions of this act shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To extend the time for the filing of applications for bounties to Massachusetts soldiers;

Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for expenses of the court of registration; and

Making appropriations for salaries of employees and other necessary expenses in the department of the Sergeant-at-arms ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To incorporate the Trustees of the French Protestant Church of Lowell (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the day.

Of the committee on Counties, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 100) of John E. Bates and others for legislation to provide for altering and rebuilding the highway bridge over the Connecticut River between the city of Northampton and the town of Hadley ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 117) of J. W. Bennett and others for legislation to authorize the payment of an annuity to Walter H. Gilman ; and

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State Pension Agent (House, No. 34) ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Stoneham to refund certain taxes (House, No. 177) ; and

Relative to the travelling expenses of the special justice of the First District Court of Bristol (House, No. 194) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Samuel Hillman (House, No. 178) ;

In favor of the mother of James T. Mahony, Jr. (House, No. 370) ;

Relative to the instruction of the adult blind (House, No. 813) ;

In favor of Frank L. Garland (Senate, No. 32) ;

To provide for the preservation of the war records in the office of the Adjutant-General (Senate, No. 43) ; and

Relative to completing the index of the war records and rewriting the war-record books in the office of the Adjutant-General (Senate, No. 44) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To ratify and confirm the franchises and locations of Frank O. Squire and of the Eastern Cold Storage Company in the city of Boston (House, No. 176); and

Relative to the board of aldermen of the city of Newburyport (House, No. 231);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the South Deerfield Cemetery Association (Senate, No. 13) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 814).

Pending the amendment and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge.

The Bill relative to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (House, No. 133) was considered, and after debate the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Banks and Banking, was negatived, by a vote of 45 to 66, and it was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, at seven minutes past three o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 9, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

Safe deposit
and trust com-
panies.

By Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, a Bill relative to safe deposit and trust companies. The bill having been read, Mr. Tolman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

City of Boston,
— height of
buildings on
Beacon Hill.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, petition of Dudley R. Child and others in aid of the petition for legislation to limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston. To the committee on Cities.

Woman
suffrage.

By Mr. Corey of Sturbridge, petition of Alice W. Hosley, Daniel G. Hitchcock and others ; by Mr. Crosby of Arlington, petition of Carrie E. Locke, Levi J. Smith and others ; by Mr. Dean of Brookline, petition of Edith C. Baker, William L. Benedict and others ; by Mr. Dean of Cheshire, petition of Mary E. J. Hall, W. W. Carr and others ; by Mr. Dumond of Boston, petition of Annie E. Bessey and others ; by Mr. Eddy of West Bridgewater, petition of Edith F. Howard, Erland Thayer and others ; by Mr. Ellsworth of Worcester, petition of Sarah A. Henshaw, Carl Crisand and others ; by Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, petition of Annie J. Timmins and others ; by Mr. Goulding of Duxbury, petition of Lavina A. Hatch, Andrew E. Poole and others ; by Mr. Johnson of Worcester, petition of Julia A. Knowlton and others ; by Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition of Hannah C. Kelley, C. N. Hayden and others ; by Mr. Powers of Malden, petition of Lucy M. Gorham, Henry J. Cox and others ; by Mr. Prindle of Williamstown, petition of Josephine Jordan, Henry Baxter and others ; by Mr. Root of Boston, petition of Ida H. Adams, Wallace

Crook and others; by Mr. Russell of Boston, petition of Kate M. Adams, George F. Lawley and others; by Mr. Sands of Boston, petition of Helen A. Shaw, J. Warren Smith and others; by Mr. Selfridge of Boston, petition of Elizabeth L. Mitchell, George Buckle and others; by Mr. Skillings of Boston, petition of Mary Y. Joy, Charles L. Page and others; by Mr. Smith of Dover, petition of Hattie B. Cunningham, Wendell P. Cabot and others; by Mr. Stalker of Boston, petition of Charlotte Brockway, D. J. Murdock and others; by Mr. Stewart of Boston, petition of Rebecca C. Trask, Ernest A. Clapp and others; and by Mr. Twomey of Boston, petition of Mary E. Jarvis, William S. West and others, — severally, in aid of the petitions for legislation to authorize women to vote for presidential electors and in municipal elections.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Sparks of Dracut, petition of Herbert P. Jefferson for the removal of Justice Edgar Jay Sherman of the Superior Court.

Superior Court,
— removal of
Justice
Sherman.

By the same gentleman, petition of Ernest E. Hussey for an investigation of certain crimes and malpractices in the city of Lowell.

City of Lowell,
— crimes and
malpractices.

Severally referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court.

By Mr. Dewey of Westfield, petition of Henry M. Van Deusen for legislation to authorize the Woronoco Street Railway Company to manufacture for sale and to sell and furnish to the inhabitants of the town of Westfield electricity for power. The same gentleman moved that the 12th and 9th joint rules be suspended, which motions were referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Woronoco
Street Railway
Company, —
electricity for
the town of
Westfield.

By Mr. Stalker of Boston, petition of John H. Rice and others for legislation to revive the charter of the Massachusetts Maritime Canal Company and to extend the time within which said company is required to comply with certain provisions of the same. Mr. Stone of Springfield moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Massachusetts
Maritime Canal
Company.

By Mr. Wheeler of Boston, petition of George N. Harrington for legislation to incorporate the Boston and East-

Boston and
Eastern
Express Com-
pany.

ern Express Company. Mr. Reed of Taunton moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

Metropolitan
Water Board,—
powers and
duties; town of
Clinton,—com-
pensation for
damages.

On motion of Mr. Wallace of Clinton, the Bill relative to the powers and duties of the Metropolitan Water Board and to the compensation for damages occasioned to the town of Clinton by the construction of the metropolitan water system, was taken from the files of last year. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

Appropriation,
—gypsy moth.

The House Bill making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth (House, No. 272) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. On motion of Mr. Bennett of Saugus, the rule was suspended, by a vote of 107 to 27, the House concurred in the amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion by the same gentleman.

City of Boston,
—Stony Brook.

The House Bill (introduced on leave) relative to Stony Brook in the city of Boston (House, No. 637), referred by the House to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs. On motion of Mr. Bleiler of Boston, the House receded from its reference to the committee on Mercantile Affairs and concurred with the Senate in its reference to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

City of Brock-
ton,—indebted-
ness for streets.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of the mayor of the city of Brockton for legislation to authorize said city to incur indebtedness for the improvement of its public streets and ways. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition

(with accompanying bill, House, No. 824) was referred to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 9th joint rule be suspended on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 596) of the mayor of the city of Brockton that said city be authorized to take water from Silver Lake in the towns of Pembroke, Kingston, Plympton and Halifax for an additional water supply. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

City of Brockton, — water supply.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 9th joint rule be suspended on the petition of a committee of the town of Medway for legislation to authorize said town to supply itself with water for fire and domestic purposes. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 820) was referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Town of Medway, — water supply.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the protection of shade trees. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill (House, No. 826) was referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Shade trees.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 9th joint rule be suspended on the petition of Willard Howland for legislation to authorize the construction of a canal across Cape Cod by convict labor. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 818) was referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Cape Cod canal, — convict labor.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 9th joint rule be suspended on the petition

Connecticut River, — bridge in the city of Springfield.

(with accompanying bill, House, No. 612) of E. Morgan, D. B. Wesson, George Nye, John Olmstead and others for legislation to authorize or require the county commissioners of Hampden County to construct a bridge across the Connecticut River at Springfield. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Key registering
companies, —
insurance laws.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of the United States Registry Company for legislation to exempt key registering companies from the operation of the insurance laws. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Whipple, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 823) was referred to the committee on Insurance.

Fitchburg and
Suburban Street
Railway
Company.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the committee on Rules, that the 9th joint rule be suspended on the petition of the Fitchburg and Suburban Street Railway Company for authority to extend its tracks and to operate freight cars and to act as a common carrier. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Whipple, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 819) was referred to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Fitchburg and
Leominster
Street Railway
Company.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the committee on Rules, that the 9th joint rule be suspended on the petition of the president of the Fitchburg and Leominster Street Railway Company for legislation to authorize said company to act as a common carrier of freight and the United States mail. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Whipple, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 822) was referred to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of Joshua C. Robinson and others for legislation relative to the session of the Superior Court for the county of Barnstable. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Howland, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 821) was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

County of
Barnstable, —
Superior Court
sessions.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of Freeman H. Lothrop and others for legislation relative to the sessions of the First District Court of Barnstable. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Howland, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 825) was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

First District
Court of
Barnstable, —
sessions.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 9th joint rule on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 181) of the Brockton, Bridgewater and Taunton Street Railway Company for authority to act as a common carrier of fuel and supplies for street railway purposes. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 9th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Brockton,
Bridgewater
and Taunton
Street Railway
Company.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 9th joint rule on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 182) of the Providence and Taunton Street Railway Company for authority to act as a common carrier of fuel and supplies for street railway purposes. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 9th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Street Rail-

Providence
and Taunton
Street Railway
Company.

ways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Towns of
Canton and
Sharon, —
boundary line.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 9th joint rule on the House petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 355) of the selectmen of the town of Sharon for legislation to change the boundary line between the towns of Canton and Sharon in the county of Norfolk. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 9th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

State Board of
Education, —
degrees on
graduates of
State normal
schools.

By Mr. Leland of Templeton, from the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 302) of C. E. Trow that the State Board of Education may be authorized to confer degrees on graduates of the State normal schools.

District police,
— fish and game
laws.

By Mr. Swift of Tisbury, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, no legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of the Chief of the Massachusetts District Police (Pub. Doc. No. 32) as relates to the enforcement of the fish and game laws.

Merrimac
River, — bridge.

By Mr. Grimes of Reading, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 227) of A. A. Melvin and others for the construction of a bridge across the Merrimac River.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Food fish, —
cultivation.

By Mr. Swift of Tisbury, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 250), a Bill to provide for the cultivation of food fish. (House, No. 827.)

Plymouth and
Sandwich Street
Railway Com-
pany.

By Mr. Ames of Lowell, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 26), a Bill relative to the Plymouth and Sandwich Street Railway Company. (House, No. 828.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

County treas-
urers, —
deposits.

By Mr. Dudley of Sutton, from the committee on Banks and Banking, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to deposits by county treasurers (House, No. 384) ought

to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Hopewell of Fall River, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the second annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients (Pub. Doc. No. 61), in part, a Bill making an appropriation to purchase land for the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients. Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients, — purchase of land.

By Mr. Love of Webster, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve to provide for certain improvements at the Danvers Insane Hospital. (House, No. 98.) Danvers Insane Hospital, — improvements.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Crouch of Northampton, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) in favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes (House, No. 226) ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means. New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Making an appropriation for the payment of the tuition of children attending school outside the town in which they reside ; and Bills enacted.

To authorize the city of Everett to incur indebtedness for sewerage purposes ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 472) of John W. Ayers for legislation to authorize the appointment of a commission to consider the advisability of paying a bounty for the manufacture of steel within the Commonwealth, was accepted and sent up for concurrence. Orders of the day.

Bills :

To define the crime of larceny (House, No. 265) ;

To authorize the city of North Adams to refund its present indebtedness (House, No. 273) ;

To provide school registers and other school blanks for the towns and cities of the Commonwealth (House, No. 815); and

Making an appropriation for the compensation and expenses of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game (House, No. 816); and

The Resolve in favor of the Bridgewater Normal School (House, No. 423);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To authorize the town of Stoneham to refund certain taxes (House, No. 177); and

Relative to the travelling expenses of the special justice of the First District Court of Bristol (House, No. 194); and

Resolves:

In favor of Samuel Hillman (House, No. 178);

In favor of the mother of James T. Mahony, Jr. (House, No. 370); and

Relative to the instruction of the adult blind (House, No. 813);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Resolves:

In favor of Frank L. Garland (Senate, No. 32);

To provide for the preservation of the war records in the office of the Adjutant-General (Senate, No. 43); and

Relative to completing the index of the war records and rewriting the war-record books in the office of the Adjutant-General (Senate, No. 44);

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the South Deerfield Cemetery Association (Senate, No. 13) was amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by the substitution of the bill printed as House, No. 814, and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to deposits and loans by employees (House, No. 203) was considered, and after debate was rejected, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, by a vote of 82 to 32, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to authorize the town of North Andover to issue water bonds (House, No. 282) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Odlin of Andover, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

The Bill to authorize the town of Andover to unite under a board of public works its board of water commissioners and its board of sewer commissioners (House, No. 410) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Odlin of Andover moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 829), which was read and substituted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading. On further motion of Mr. Odlin, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

The Bill relative to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (House, No. 133) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Porter of Lynn moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in line 13, the words "one hundred," and inserting in place thereof the word "fifty."

Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield raised the point of order that the amendment was beyond the scope of the subject matter of the bill before the House. Point of order.

The Speaker stated that the amendment offered by the gentleman from Lynn affected a different part of an existing statute from that affected by the bill before the House, and therefore ruled that the point of order was well taken and the amendment not in order.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, the bill was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 65 to 49.

Mr. Whipple of Brockton raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 139 members were present.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Cluer of Lowell asked unanimous consent that he might be allowed to move to reconsider the vote whereby Walter H. Gilman.

the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 117) of J. W. Bennett and others for legislation to authorize the payment of an annuity to Walter H. Gilman. Objection was made by Mr. Harlow of Whitman.

On motion of Mr. Mills of Newburyport, at twenty-one minutes past four o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 10, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Charles P. Mills of Newburyport, a member of the House.

Order.

The consideration of the following order, offered by Mr. Skillings of Boston, was postponed until Monday, at the request of Mr. Stone of Springfield :—

Ordered, That on the occasion of the visit to the General Court of the President of the United States, the east gallery in the House of Representatives shall be reserved exclusively for guests of the General Court, and that admission thereto shall be allowed only by ticket. Twenty tickets of admission shall be reserved for the President of the Senate, and twenty for the Speaker of the House, and one ticket shall be allotted to each member of the General Court.

General Court,
— visit of the
President of the
United States.

Annual Report.

The eighth annual report of the Dairy Bureau of the Massachusetts Board of Agriculture (Pub. Doc. No. 60), received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was referred to the committee on Agriculture and sent up for concurrence.

Board of Agri-
culture, —
report of Dairy
Bureau.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred :—

By Mr. Swift of Tiabury, petition of S. L. Rhino, Sarah N. Beetle and others in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools. To the committee on Education.

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

By Mr. Adams of Barre, petition of Jane E. Damon, Edward B. Lynde and others; by Mr. Balcom of Marlborough, petition of Annie Horr, N. Hunt and others; by Mr. Dean of Wakefield, petition of M. Ellen Nichols, Putnam Webber and others; by Mr. Dewey of Westfield,

Woman
suffrage, —
license
question.

petition of F. Eloise Vining, James Noble and others; by Mr. Driscoll of Chicopee, petition of Clara L. Palmer, C. E. Baker and others; by Mr. Harwood of Littleton, petition of Julia S. Conant, C. M. Laurence and others; by Mr. Haywood of Lynn, petition of Laura E. Lewis, David M. Draper and others; by Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition of Margaret Morrison, Arthur C. Dunham and others; by Mr. Keyou of Medford, petition of Clara H. Rhone, John L. Coolidge and others; by Mr. Kyle of Plymouth, petition of Phebe R. Clifford, H. N. P. Hubbard and others; by Mr. Langford of Newton, petition of Emily Webster, George A. Walton and others; by Mr. Libby of Medford, petition of Addie F. Lunt and others; by Mr. Newton of Everett, petition of Evelina A. Hayes, John F. Dunton and others; by Mr. Nickerson of Harwich, petition of Ruth A. Hall, Seth Taylor and others; by Mr. Robinson of Springfield, petition of the Armory Hill W. C. T. U. of Springfield; by Mr. Ross of Boston, petition of Lizzie Kelley, W. S. Scully and others; by Mr. Simmons of Grafton, petition of Asaanna N. Hobbs and another; and by Mr. Wood of Woburn, petition of Sara A. Tabor, Walter Widgerly and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to enable women to vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses.

Woman
suffrage.

. By Mr. Jeremiah F. McCarthy of Boston, petition of Celia S. Woodbury, William P. Hall and others; by Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition of Mary P. C. Billings and others; by Mr. Root of Boston, petition of Harriet A. Clarke, Edward Atkins and others; by Mr. Selfridge of Boston, petition of Cora B. Fletcher and others; and by Mr. Turtle of Pittsfield, petition of Dora Brown and others, — severally, in aid of the petitions for legislation to authorize women to vote for presidential electors and in municipal elections.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Province Laws.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, petition of officers of the Fitchburg Historical Society; by Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition of Charles W. Eliot and others; and by Mr. Stone of Springfield, petitions of the president of the Cape Cod Historical Society and the president of the Lexington Historical Society, — severally, in aid of the Bill to provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Burrington of Franklin, petition of Orville C. Rhodes and others; and by Mr. Nickerson of Harwich, petition of Meriton E. Nickerson and others, — severally, in aid of the Bill to require complete returns from foreign companies doing business in this Commonwealth.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

A petition of Sydney L. Smith and others for such legislation as will restrict the height of buildings on Beacon Hill and protect the neighborhood of the State House and its adjacent grounds, came down referred to the committees on State House and Cities, sitting jointly. On motion of Mr. Myers of Cambridge, the petition was referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Cities and sent up for concurrence.

City of Boston,
— height of
buildings on
Beacon Hill.

A petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 187) of James F. Shaw and others for incorporation for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating railroads and street railways and electric power and lighting plants in the various States, territories and colonies of the United States and in foreign countries, referred by the Senate, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the joint committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

James F. Shaw
and others, —
railroads, street
railways and
electric plants.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of John H. Rice and others for legislation to revive the charter of the Massachusetts Maritime Canal Company and to extend the time within which said company is required to comply with certain provisions of the same. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 830) was referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Massachusetts
Maritime Canal
Company.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 9th joint rule be suspended on the

Northampton
and Amherst
Street Railway

Company, —
Connecticut
River bridge.

petition of B. E. Cook, Jr., and other directors of the Northampton and Amherst Street Railway Company for legislation to authorize said company to construct a bridge over the Connecticut River between the city of Northampton and the town of Hadley. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 831) was referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Board of
Agriculture, —
salary of
secretary's
second clerk.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 275) of Howard N. Legate for legislation to establish the salary of the second clerk of the secretary of the Massachusetts State Board of Agriculture. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Metropolitan
sewerage loan
sinking fund.

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, from the committee on Ways and Means, on the abstract of the report of the Auditor of Accounts (House, No. 325), in part, a Bill relative to the metropolitan sewerage loan sinking fund. (House, No. 837.)

Massachusetts
Highway Com-
mission.

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the Massachusetts Highway Commission. (House, No. 836.)

Cities, —
auditors.

By Mr. Sands of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 274), a Bill relative to auditors in cities having more than fifty thousand inhabitants. (House, No. 835.)

Cities, —
reports of
auditors.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to city auditors' reports (House, No. 286) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Bill relative to the reports of city auditors." (House, No. 832.)

City of Boston,
—building laws.

By Mr. Foster of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for the better enforcement of the building laws of the city of Boston (House, No. 305) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 833.)

Bureau of
Statistics of
Labor, — ex-
penses.

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the joint committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill (introduced on leave)

relative to expenditures for the clerical and contingent expenses of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor (House, No. 16) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 834.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill making an appropriation for the reclamation of the Province Lands for the benefit of Provincetown harbor ought to pass. (House, No. 838.)

Province Lands,
— Provincetown harbor.

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes (House, No. 226) ought to pass.

New England
Industrial
School for
Deaf Mutes.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for the making of surveys and plans of the State House grounds and of lands and buildings adjacent thereto and for the furnishing of estimates of the value of such adjacent lands (Senate, No. 185) ought to pass.

State House, —
survey and
plans of ad-
jacent lands and
buildings.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the joint committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) in favor of Henry N. Sheldon and Frederick E. Hurd (House, No. 121) ought to pass.

Henry N. Shel-
don and Fred-
erick E. Hurd.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

By Mr. Robinson of Springfield, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the Trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts. (House, No. 236.)

Soldiers' Home
in Massachu-
setts.

By Mr. McLoughlin of Worcester, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 326), a Bill to provide for the appointment of an assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Hampshire.

County of
Hampshire, —
assistant regis-
ter of probate
and insolvency

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Reconsideration.

There being no objection, Mr. Cluer of Lowell moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Wednesday last, accepted the report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accom-

Walter H.
Gilman.

panying resolve, House, No. 117) of J. W. Bennett and others for legislation to authorize the payment of an annuity to Walter H. Gilman, which motion was adopted.

Pending the recurring question on the acceptance of the report, the same gentleman moved to amend by the substitution of a "Resolve in favor of Walter H. Gilman" (House, No. 117), which was substituted, and having been read was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :
Bills enacted. Making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth ;
 Relative to insolvent estates of deceased persons ; and
 To authorize the town of Natick to incur indebtedness for grade crossing purposes ;
 (Which severally originated in the House) ;
 Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

**Merrimac
River, — bridge.**

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lowell, the report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 227) of A. A. Melvin and others for the construction of a bridge across the Merrimac River, was discharged from the orders of the day and considered, under a suspension of the rule.

The same gentleman moved to amend the report by striking out the words "petitioner have leave to withdraw," and inserting in place thereof the words "further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court."

The amendment was adopted, and the report, as amended, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

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day.**

The report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, no legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of the Chief of the Massachusetts District Police (Pub. Doc. No. 32) as relates to the enforcement of the fish and game laws, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to deposits by county treasurers (House, No. 384) ;

To provide for the cultivation of food fish (House, No. 827) ; and

Relative to the Plymouth and Sandwich Street Railway Company (House, No. 828) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the city of North Adams to refund its present indebtedness (House, No. 273) ;

To provide school registers and other school blanks for the towns and cities of the Commonwealth (House, No. 815) ; and

Making an appropriation for the compensation and expenses of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game (House, No. 816) ; and

The Resolve in favor of the Bridgewater Normal School (House, No. 423) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 302) of C. E. Trow that the State Board of Education may be authorized to confer degrees on graduates of the State normal schools, was considered, and after debate was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to define the crime of larceny (House, No. 265) was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until Monday, on motion of Mr. Stone of Springfield.

The Bill relative to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (House, No. 133) was read a third time, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Driscoll of Chicopee, was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 75 to 48, and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dalton of Salem, at seven minutes past two o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, February 13, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

General Court,
— visit of the
President of the
United States.

The order relative to reserving the east gallery in the House of Representatives exclusively for guests of the General Court on the occasion of the visit of the President of the United States, the consideration of which was postponed from Friday last, was considered, and after debate was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Myers of Cambridge.

Introduced on Leave.

Soldiers, —
bounties.

By Mr. Reed of Taunton, a Bill relative to the payment of bounties to Massachusetts soldiers. The bill having been read, Mr. Reed moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

Woman
suffrage.

By Mr. Jeremiah F. McCarthy of Boston, petition of Clara A. Ferguson, Edward Barley and others; by Mr. Root of Boston, petition of Clara A. C. Kaulbach, G. W. Johnson and others; and by Mr. Selfridge of Boston, petition of Mary K. Marcy, Clifton D. Black and others, — severally, in aid of the petitions for legislation to authorize women to vote for presidential electors and in municipal elections.

Woman
suffrage, —
license
question.

By Mr. Balcom of Marlborough, petition of Sarah M. Willis, Edward Higgins and others; by Mr. Chapple of Salem, petition of Annette B. Goss, James W. Davis and others; by Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, petition of Alice A. H. Young, Angus McKay and others; by Mr. Corey of Sturbridge, petition of J. Fannie Stoddard, J. B. Child and others; by Mr. Crosby of Attleborough, petition of

Sarah M. Hall, Charles A. Williams and others; by Mr. Dean of Brookline, petition of May Estelle Nelson and others; by Mr. Dean of Wakefield, petition of Mary L. Warren, A. S. Atherton and others; by Mr. Driscoll of Chicopee, petition of Helen L. Stratton, E. S. Ufford and others; by Mr. Harvell of Rockland, petition of Addie C. Smith, F. O. Cunningham and others; by Mr. Haywood of Lynn, petition of Caroline E. Lummus, J. S. Farley and others; by Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition of Bertha C. Bixby, S. J. Smith and others; by Mr. Kyle of Plymouth, petition of Marion W. Collingwood, H. C. Bisbee and others; by Mr. Langford of Newton, petition of Ella E. Mason, Robert G. Fraleigh and others; by Mr. Libby of Medford, petition of A. A. Rowe and others; by Mr. Marchesseault of Spencer, petition of officers of the W. C. T. U. of Leicester; by Mr. Nickerson of Harwich, petition of Melva L. Wood, Alfred White and others; by Mr. Root of Boston, petition of Clara E. Withington, Hiram B. Cross and others; by Mr. Ross of Boston, petition of Mary McFarland, J. F. Mundy and others; by Mr. Rounseville of Rochester, petition of officers of the Wareham W. C. T. U.; by Mr. Spooner of Chelsea, petition of Mary Fitch Pierce, John Denton and others; by Mr. Stewart of Boston, petition of Jennie P. Sampson, C. F. Dadmun and others; by Mr. Sullivan of Natick, petition of Fannie B. Goodnow, A. W. Robinson and others; by Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, petition of officers of Frances E. Willard Union W. C. T. U. of Pittsfield; and by Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, petition of Mary A. Stoddard, H. Nickerson and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to enable women to vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

By Mr. Brown of North Adams, petition of John E. Magenis and others; by Mr. Dewey of Westfield, petition of Charles H. Knox and others; by Mr. Moore of West Stockbridge, petition of W. E. Higley and others; by Mr. Saunders of Boston, petition of George W. Wiggin and others; and by Mr. Smith of New Marlborough, petition of H. M. Smith and others, — severally, in aid of the Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game.

Board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Soldiers and
sailors, — State
pay.

By Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, petition of the mayor of the city of Pittsfield in aid of the petition for further legislation relative to State pay for soldiers and sailors in the volunteer service of the United States. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Constables, —
ad damnum in
writs and pro-
cess.

By Mr. Haywood of Lynn, petition of James H. Sisk and others in aid of the Bill to increase the ad damnum in writs and process that may be served by constables. To the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Foreign corpo-
rations, — com-
plete returns.

By Mr. Brown of Weston, petition of Charles S. Wheeler and others; by Mr. Harvell of Rockland, petition of Walter E. Damon and others; by Mr. Hayes of Lowell, petition of Dexter Butterfield and others; by Mr. Rounseville of Rochester, petition of Joseph L. Cole and others; by Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, petition of W. M. Clark and others; by Mr. Upson of Easthampton, petition of A. N. Gurney and others; and by Mr. Williams of Foxborough, petition of Charles Slocomb and others, — severally, in aid of the Bill to require complete returns from foreign companies doing business in this Commonwealth.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Fishways.

A Bill to provide for the enforcement of orders made by the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game relative to fishways (Senate, No. 19) (introduced on leave in the Senate) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Lemuel Burr.

The House Resolve in favor of Lemuel Burr (House, No. 195) came down, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

City of Boston,
— height of
buildings on
Beacon Hill.

The House petition of Dudley R. Child and others in aid of the petition for legislation to limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston, referred by the House to the committee on Cities, came down referred, in non-concurrence, to the committees on State House and Cities, sitting jointly. On motion of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, the House insisted on its reference to the

committee on Cities, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

A petition of E. A. Thompson and others in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education.

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Bullock of New Bedford, from the committee on Public Health, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 723) of Charles E. Grinnell for legislation relative to the pollution of sources of water supply, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Water supply,
— pollution of
sources.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of W. C. Litchfield for legislation to provide for an amendment of the charter of the South Middleborough Cemetery Association. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Dean of Brookline, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 843) was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

South Middle-
borough Ceme-
tery Associa-
tion.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Bill (taken from the files of last year) relative to the powers and duties of the Metropolitan Water Board and to the compensation for damages occasioned to the town of Clinton by the construction of the metropolitan water system. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Whipple, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill (House, No. 841) was referred to the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly.

Metropolitan
Water Board,—
powers and
duties; town of
Clinton,— com-
pensation for
damages.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the committee on Rules, that the 9th joint rule be suspended on the petition of the Marlborough and Westborough Street Railway Company for legislation to extend the time for the construction and operation of its railway. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr.

Marlborough
and West-
borough Street
Railway Com-
pany.

Whipple, the 9th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 844) was referred to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Boston and
Eastern
Express Com-
pany.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of George N. Harrington for legislation to incorporate the Boston and Eastern Express Company. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Saunders, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 840) was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Norman Y.
Brintnall.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of Norman Y. Brintnall for legislation to compensate him for the loss of a horse killed in the service of the Commonwealth. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Reed of Taunton, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 842) was referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Charles River
bridge.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 9th joint rule on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 175) of Frederick W. Dallinger that authority be granted the Cambridge Bridge Commission to construct an island or islands in Charles River if necessary to complete the construction of the new Cambridge bridge. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 9th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Safe deposit
and trust
companies.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be not suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to safe deposit and trust companies. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, the House refused to suspend the 12th joint rule, and the

bill was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on Rules, that the House should not concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 9th joint rule on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 12) of Samuel W. Hopkinson and others, trustees of the Danvers Insane Hospital, that said hospital may procure a supply of water from Middleton and Swan's ponds in the town of Middleton. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Howland, the House refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 9th joint rule, the petition was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Danvers Insane Hospital, — water supply.

By Mr. Reed of Taunton, from the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 504) of the selectmen of the town of Templeton for legislation to define more clearly what may be included in the cost of the abolition of grade crossings.

Grade crossings, — cost of abolition.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, from the joint committee on Rules, that the order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to report certain information concerning gas interests in the city of Boston, and authorizing said committee to employ a stenographer, ought not to be adopted.

Joint special committee, — investigation of gas interests in the city of Boston.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Huntress of Somerville, from the committee on Manufactures, that the Bill (taken from the files of last year) relative to the licensing of gas fitters and persons who install or repair gas, combination or electric fixtures, and to the supervision to the business of gas fitting and the installation and repair of combination or electric fixtures (House, No. 128) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title, " Bill relative to the licensing of gas fitters and persons who install or repair gas fixtures, and to the supervision of the business of gas fitting and the installation and repair of gas fixtures in the town of Brookline." (House, No. 839.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

Town of Brookline, — gas fitters and gas fitting.

By Mr. Spooner of Chelsea, from the committee on Cities, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the

City of Boston, — police department.

police department in the city of Boston (House, No. 164) ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Reconsideration.

Frank L. Garland.

There being no objection, Mr. Apsey of Cambridge moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Thursday last, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the Resolve in favor of Frank L. Garland (Senate, No. 32), which motion was adopted.

Pending the recurring question on the engrossment of the resolve, in concurrence, Mr. Apsey moved to amend by adding at the end thereof the words "Chapter forty of the Resolves of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five is hereby repealed."

The amendment was adopted, and the resolve, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the city of Newton to assess the cost of sewer connections ;

Making an appropriation for expenses in connection with the topographical survey and map of Massachusetts ;

Making an appropriation for the expense of enforcing the law to regulate the practice of pharmacy ;

Relative to the securing of materials by cities and towns for the construction, repair or improvement of streets or ways ;

To authorize the city of Boston and the city of Newton to make contracts for the disposal of certain sewage and water ;

Making appropriations for the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients ;

To authorize the town of North Andover to issue water bonds ; and

To authorize the town of Andover to unite under a board of public works its board of water commissioners and its board of sewer commissioners ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Relative to completing the index of the war records and re-writing the war record books in the office of the Adjutant-General; and Resolves passed.

To provide for the preservation of the war records in the office of the Adjutant-General;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders of the Day.

Mr. Mills of Newburyport moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill making appropriations for the Massachusetts Highway Commission (House, No. 836), which motion, after debate, was lost. Massachusetts Highway Commission.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motions of Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, the bills :

Relative to auditors in cities having more than fifty thousand inhabitants (House, No. 835); and City auditors.

Relative to the reports of city auditors (House, No. 832);

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case. They were severally read a second time, and pending the question, in each case, on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 275) of Howard N. Legate for legislation to establish the salary of the second clerk of the secretary of the Massachusetts State Board of Agriculture, was accepted and sent up for concurrence. Orders of the day.

Bills :

To provide for the better enforcement of the building laws of the city of Boston (House, No. 833);

Relative to expenditures for the clerical and contingent expenses of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor (House, No. 834);

Relative to the metropolitan sewerage loan sinking fund (House, No. 837) ; and

Making an appropriation for the reclamation of the Province Lands for the benefit of Provincetown harbor (House, No. 838) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Henry N. Sheldon and Frederick E. Hurd (House, No. 121) ;

In favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes (House, No. 226) ; and

Providing for the making of surveys and plans of the State House grounds and of lands and buildings adjacent thereto, and for the furnishing of estimates of the value of such adjacent lands (Senate, No. 185) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relative to deposits by county treasurers (House, No. 384) ;

To provide for the cultivation of food fish (House, No. 827) ; and

Relative to the Plymouth and Sandwich Street Railway Company (House, No. 828) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to define the crime of larceny (House, No. 265) was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Reed of Taunton, pending the question on passing it to be engrossed.

The Bill making appropriations for the Massachusetts Highway Commission (House, No. 836) was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, on motion of Mr. Parker of Boston.

On motion of Mr. Root of Boston, at fifteen minutes before three o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 14, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by Reverend George E. Fisher of Amherst, a member of the House.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mills of Newburyport, —

Ordered, That the hour of meeting on Friday, February 17, be 10.30 o'clock A.M.

House of Representatives, —
hour of meeting.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred: —

By Mr. Ray of Ashland, petition of W. H. Earle, Sarah L. Adams and others in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools. To the committee on Education.

Public schools, —
physiology and hygiene.

By Mr. Selfridge of Boston, petition of Helene Hoitt and others in aid of the petitions for legislation to authorize women to vote for presidential electors and in municipal elections.

Woman suffrage.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, petition of Mary A. Cogswell and others; by Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, petition of officers of the Provincetown W. C. T. U.; by Mr. Corey of Sturbridge, petition of Nellie F. Adams and others; by Mr. Crosby of Attleborough, petition of Sarah S. Draper, W. P. Whittemore and others; by Mr. Dean of Brookline, petition of Anna M. Stearns and others; by Mr. Dean of Wakefield, petition of Katharine R. Buzzell, Oswald A. Parker and others; by Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition of Thannie A. Whorf, George H. Clarke and others; by Mr. Litchfield of Lunenburg, petition of William R. Proctor and others; by Mr. Marchesseault of Spencer, petition of Hannah L. Nichols, Charles Carroll and others; by Mr. Mead of Everett, petition of Nettie F. Brown, G. H. Ford and others; by Mr. Rounseville of Rochester, petition of Adaline C. Besse, Edward C.

Woman suffrage, —
license question.

Bodfish and others; by Mr. Saunders of Boston, petition of the board of directors of the Massachusetts Total Abstinence Society; by Mr. Spooner of Chelsea, petition of Julia A. Mayo, A. H. Nazarian and others; by Mr. Sprague of Quincy, petition of Maria S. Gurney, Edward J. Badger and others; by Mr. Stewart of Boston, petition of Helen F. Rhoades, Eugene C. Webster and others; and by Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, petition of Emily N. Boles and another,—severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to enable women to vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game.

By Mr. Kyle of Plymouth, petition of James D. Thurber and others in aid of the Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Osteopathy.

By Mr. Campbell of Westfield, petition of Homer B. Stevens and others in aid of the petition for legislation authorizing the practice of osteopathy. To the committee on Public Health.

Foreign corporations,—complete returns.

By Mr. Campbell of Westfield, petition of Harrison Loomis and others; by Mr. Chase of Westborough, petition of S. Deane Fisher and others; by Mr. Hopewell of Fall River, petition of Sandy Harrison and others; and by Mr. Powers of Malden, petition of John P. Holden and others,—severally, in aid of the Bill to require complete returns from foreign companies doing business in this Commonwealth.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence:—

Joint convention,—President of the United States.

Ordered, That a joint convention of the two branches of the General Court be held on Friday, February 17, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving the President of the United States.

Senate and House of Representatives,—clerks and assistant clerks.

A Bill relative to the clerks and the assistant clerks of the Senate and the House of Representatives (Senate, No. 186) (new draft of a bill, Senate, No. 95, introduced on leave), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

A petition of G. W. Smith and others in aid of the Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Fisheries and Game. Board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game.

A petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 190) of J. C. Bennett and others for legislation providing for the construction of a State highway from Boston to Lynn, and providing for the construction of such channels or structures over tide waters as may be necessary, referred by the Senate, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Roads and Bridges, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules. State highway from Boston to Lynn.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petitions (taken from the files of last year) of Samuel Eliot and others for legislation relative to the public schools of the city of Boston and providing for a reorganization of the government thereof. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 846) were referred to the committee on Education. City of Boston, — public schools.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th and 9th joint rules be suspended on the petition of Henry M. VanDeusen for legislation to authorize the Woronoco Street Railway Company to manufacture for sale and to sell and furnish to the inhabitants of the town of Westfield electricity for power. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCarthy, the 12th and 9th joint rules were severally suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 845) was referred to the committee on Manufactures. Woronoco Street Railway Company, — electricity for the town of Westfield.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of the committee on rules of the Granite Cutters' National Union for legislation to authorize labor organizations to patrol in vicinities in which there exists any strike, lockout or suspension of work. Read and con- Labor organizations, — right to patrol in certain cases.

sidered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Saunders, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 847) was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Personal
property, —
loans on
deposits or
pledges of.

By Mr. Davenport of Greenfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to regulate the business of making loans upon deposits or pledges of personal property (House, No. 256) ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Gypsy moth
and brown-tail
moth.

By Mr. Morse of Belchertown, from the committee on Agriculture, on bills introduced on leave (House, Nos. 119 and 123), a Bill making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth and suppressing the brown-tail moth. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to days of grace on sight drafts ;

Relative to the price of certain writs ;

To incorporate the Federal Trust Company ;

Relative to the filling of vacancies in the board of aldermen of the city of Newton ; and

To provide for the deposit of money in a savings bank in the name of a judge of probate and for the payment of such deposit ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

City of Boston,
— police depart-
ment.

On motions of Mr. King of Boston, the Bill relative to the police department in the city of Boston (House, No. 164) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Cities.

Larceny.

On motions of Mr. Stone of Springfield, the Bill to define the crime of larceny (House, No. 265) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule,

and laid on the table, pending the question on passing it to be engrossed.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 504) of the selectmen of the town of Templeton for legislation to define more clearly what may be included in the cost of the abolition of grade crossings, was accepted and sent up for concurrence. Orders of the day.

Bills :

Relative to the licensing of gas fitters and persons who install or repair gas fixtures and to the supervision of the business of gas fitting and the installation and repair of gas fixtures in the town of Brookline (House, No. 839) ; and

To provide for the enforcement of orders made by the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game relative to fishways (Senate, No. 19) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To provide for the better enforcement of the building laws of the city of Boston (House, No. 833) ;

Relative to expenditures for the clerical and contingent expenses of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor (House, No. 834) ;

Relative to the metropolitan sewerage loan sinking fund (House, No. 837) ; and

Making an appropriation for the reclamation of the Province Lands for the benefit of Provincetown harbor (House, No. 838) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Henry N. Sheldon and Frederick E. Hurd (House, No. 121) ; and

In favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes (House, No. 226) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve providing for the making of surveys and plans of the State House grounds and of lands and buildings adjacent thereto, and for the furnishing of estimates

of the value of such adjacent lands (Senate, No. 185), was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to report certain information concerning gas interests in the city of Boston, and authorizing said committee to employ a stenographer, was rejected, as recommended by the joint committee on Rules.

The order relative to reserving the east gallery in the House of Representatives exclusively for guests of the General Court on the occasion of the visit of the President of the United States, was considered.

Mr. Myers of Cambridge moved to amend by the substitution of the following order : —

Ordered, That on the occasion of the visit to the General Court of the President of the United States, the east gallery in the House of Representatives shall be reserved exclusively for guests of the members of the General Court, until half-past ten o'clock in the forenoon, and each member shall be entitled to one card of admission to the said gallery.

The amendment was adopted and the order, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Donahue of Fall River, at twenty-four minutes past two o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 15, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by Reverend Charles H. Daniels of Newton.

Vacancies on Committees Filled.

The Speaker appointed Mr. Hunt of Worcester to fill the vacancy on the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies and Mr. Smith of Waltham to fill the vacancy on the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Committee vacancies filled.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Corey of Sturbridge, petition of Cora M. Gould, William B. Oleson and others ; by Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition of Rosa A. Yeomans and others ; by Mr. Libby of Medford, petition of Julia F. Weeks and others ; by Mr. Litchfield of Lunenburg, petition of Asenath G. McIntire, George B. Houghton and others ; and by Mr. Sprague of Quincy, petition of Blanche P. Bagley, John R. Anderson and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to enable women to vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses.

Woman suffrage, — license question.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

By Mr. Dean of Cheshire, petition of F. C. Brown and others in aid of the Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game.

By Mr. Brooks of Orange, petition of N. D. Plumb and others in aid of the Bill to establish the District Court of Eastern Franklin.

District Court of Eastern Franklin.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petitions of officers and members of the Malden Historical Society and the president of the Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association, — severally, in aid of the Bill to provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws.

Province Laws.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Foreign corporations, — complete returns.

By Mr. Drake of Canton, petition of E. D. Wadsworth and others; by Mr. Feiker of Northampton, petition of William D. Billings and others; by Mr. Grimes of Reading, petition of Edward F. Parker and others; and by Mr. Moore of West Stockbridge, petition of Frank McNerney and others, — severally, in aid of the Bill to require complete returns from foreign companies doing business in this Commonwealth.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

City of Woburn, — water debt.

By Mr. Wood of Woburn, petition of the mayor of the city of Woburn that said city may be authorized to increase its water debt. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

Boston Dental College; Tufts College.

A Bill to authorize the Boston Dental College and the trustees of Tufts College to unite (Senate, No. 79) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Resolves:

Massachusetts troops, — records.

Relative to compiling, indexing and publishing the records of the Massachusetts troops who served in the Revolutionary War (printed as House, No. 215); and

Elections, — apparatus for canvass and count of votes.

To provide for the purchase of apparatus to be used at polling places in the canvass and count of votes (printed as House, No. 216);

(Severally introduced on leave in the House);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Death penalty, — abolition.

A petition of Hiram O. Merrill and others in aid of the Bill for the abolition of the death penalty was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Reports of Committees.

City of Marlborough, — drains and water courses.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, from the committee on Cities, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 511) of the mayor of the city of Marlborough for legislation to grant to said city larger powers relative to drains and

water courses within its limits, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Drainage. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the payment of bounties to Massachusetts soldiers. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill (House, No. 850) was referred to the committee on Military Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

Soldiers, —
bounties.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 9th joint rule be not suspended on the petition (taken from the files of last year) of George W. Cook and others for the incorporation of the Mitchell's Falls Canal and Power Company. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the House refused to suspend the 9th joint rule, and the petition was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

Mitchell's Falls
Canal and
Power Com-
pany.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 9th joint rule be not suspended on the petition of Horace K. Osborn for legislation to provide for the erection of a dam in Charles River between the cities of Boston and Cambridge. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the House refused to suspend the 9th joint rule, and the petition was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

Charles River,
— dam between
Boston and
Cambridge.

By Mr. Puffer of Springfield, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 306) of the mayor of the city of Haverhill for legislation to provide for the election of the superintendent of highways in said city.

City of
Haverhill, —
superintendent
of highways.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of B. F. Daggett and others that the city messenger of the city of Haverhill shall be elected by popular vote.

City of
Haverhill, —
city messenger.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Selfridge of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the fees of clerks of the Supreme Judicial Court

Supreme
Judicial and
Superior courts,
— fees of clerks.

and the Superior Court (House, No. 243) ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

City of Melrose,
—incorpora-
tion.

By Mr. Spooner of Chelsea, from the committee on Cities, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 246), a Bill to incorporate the city of Melrose. (House, No. 848.)

Titles to land.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on a petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 83), a Bill relative to registering and confirming titles to land. (House, No. 849.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Id.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to registering and confirming titles to land (House, No. 439) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Police court of
Springfield, —
assistant clerk.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 105), a Bill to provide an assistant clerk for the police court of Springfield and to establish the salary of said assistant clerk. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Counties on the part of the House.

Westborough
Insane Hospital,
— purchase of
machinery.

By Mr. Leslie of Waltham, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the fourteenth annual report of the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital (Pub. Doc. No. 30), in part, a Resolve to provide for the purchase of machinery for the Westborough Insane Hospital. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

City auditors.

On motions of Mr. Saunders of Boston, the bills :
Relative to auditors in cities having more than fifty thousand inhabitants (House, No. 835) ; and

Id.

Relative to the reports of city auditors (House, No. 832) ;

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table, pending the question, in each case, on ordering the bill to a third reading.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to regulate the business of making loans upon deposits or pledges of personal property (House, No. 256) ^{Orders of the day.} was rejected, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the clerks and the assistant clerks of the Senate and the House of Representatives (Senate, No. 186) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill making appropriations for the Massachusetts Highway Commission (House, No. 836) was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the enforcement of orders made by the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game relative to fishways (Senate, No. 19) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Campbell of Westfield, at twenty minutes past two o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 16, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and stated that Mr. Chapple of Salem had been appointed to preside. Mr. Chapple accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by Reverend E. E. Strong of Newton.

Member Qualified.

Member
qualified.

The Chair announced the receipt of the certificate of election of Mr. Frederick C. Mahony of Boston, member-elect from the Thirteenth Suffolk Representative District, and Mr. Mahony being present, Mr. Bresnahan of Boston was appointed a committee to conduct him to the Council Chamber to be qualified. Subsequently, Mr. Bresnahan reported that Mr. Mahony had been duly qualified as a member of the House.

Order.

The consideration of the following order, offered by Mr. Balcom of Marlborough, was postponed until tomorrow, at the request of Mr. Howland of Chelsea:—

Committee on
Labor, — in-
vestigation of
labor troubles
in the city of
Marlborough.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor be instructed to proceed immediately to the city of Marlborough to investigate the causes of the strike among the shoemakers of that city, and that the said committee have authority to summon witnesses before it, and that they be directed to report to the General Court as soon as possible, with such recommendations as they may deem advisable, in order that an end may be put, if possible, to the disastrous state of affairs now prevailing in the said city, and that similar occurrences may be prevented in the future.

Introduced on Leave.

County of
Suffolk, — S.
Alice Osborne.

By Mr. Selfridge of Boston, a Bill to authorize the county of Suffolk to pay a sum of money to S. Alice Osborne. The bill having been read, Mr. Selfridge moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred:—

By Mr. Brooks of Orange, petition of P. S. H. Gunn, Mary L. Hubbard and others; by Mr. Dewey of Westfield, petition of L. A. Fowler, Flora E. Hinman and others; by Mr. Feiker of Northampton, petition of John Pierpont, Florence Brown and others; by Mr. Fisher of Amherst, petition of E. A. Thompson, Mary J. Mullen and others; by Mr. Kyle of Plymouth, petition of M. E. Comiskey, Phebe R. Clifford and others; by Mr. Litchfield of Lunenburg, petition of G. H. McIntire, Mary F. Hadley and others; by Mr. Moore of West Stockbridge, petition of Frank Heady, Sara Lannon and others; by Mr. Morse of Belchertown, petition of E. W. Gaylord, Nellie F. Loomis and others; by Mr. Severance of Shelburne, petition of L. G. Alvord, Martha Anderson and others; by Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, petition of D. C. Bedell, Ida M. Akers and others; and by Mr. Upson of Easthampton, petition of Joseph W. Strout, Julia S. Lyman and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

Severally to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Brooks of Orange, petition of Mary L. Bacon, Josiah H. Goddard and others; by Mr. Estes of Brockton, petition of Elizabeth A. Kingman, Henry E. Goddard and others; by Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition of Nelson S. Burbank and others; by Mr. Judd of Holyoke, petition of Rosina A. Whiting, Frank Williams and others; and by Mr. Litchfield of Lunenburg, petition of officers of the Bolton W. C. T. U., — severally, in aid of the petition to enable women to vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses.

Woman
suffrage, —
license question.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

By Mr. Bushnell of Sheffield, petition of W. H. Little and others; by Mr. Clerke of Boston, petition of Henry H. Kimball and others; by Mr. Crosby of Attleborough, petition of O. P. Richardson and others; by Mr. Folsom of Springfield, petitions of W. W. Colburn and others and C. C. Munn and others; by Mr. Francis of New Bedford, petition of Arthur Ricketson and others; and by

Board of com-
missioners on
inland fisheries
and game.

Mr. Horton of Rehoboth, petitions of Burrill Porter, Jr., and others and W. H. Draper and others, — severally, in aid of the Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Province Laws.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petitions of officers of the Framingham Historical Society and officers of the Weymouth Historical Society; by Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petitions of officers of the Watertown Historical Society and others, William R. Plunkett and others and Henry H. Edes and others; and by Mr. Stone of Springfield, petition of officers of the Medfield Historical Society, — severally, in aid of the Bill to provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Foreign corporations, — complete returns.

By Mr. Eddy of West Bridgewater, petition of Zeno Benson and others; by Mr. Goulding of Duxbury, petition of Nathaniel Taylor and others; by Mr. Judd of Holyoke, petition of James J. Dowd and others; by Mr. Morse of Belchertown, petition of Edward P. Morse and others; and by Mr. Watson of Lowell, petition of H. N. Blodgett and others, — severally, in aid of the Bill to require complete returns from foreign companies doing business in this Commonwealth.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Committee on Labor, — investigation of labor troubles in the city of Marlborough.

By Mr. Balcom of Marlborough, petition of Phillip J. Byrne and others asking for an investigation of the labor difficulties in the city of Marlborough by the committee on Labor. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

Board of Police for the City of Boston.

A report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, no legislation necessary, on the fourteenth annual report of the Board of Police for the City of Boston (Pub. Doc. No. 49), accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills:

Game and game birds, — hunting on the Lord's Day.

To afford greater protection to game and game birds and to prevent their extermination by hunting upon the Lord's Day (Senate, No. 38);

To authorize the American Order of Druids to hold its annual meetings outside the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 188); American Order of Druids.

(Severally reported on a petition); and

Relative to the distribution of the street railway taxes for the year 1898 (Senate, No. 189) (new draft of a bill introduced on leave, Senate, No. 40); Street railway taxes, — distribution.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills:

Relative to the construction of a channel from Vineyard Sound to Lake Anthony (Senate, No. 139); Vineyard Sound, — channel to Lake Anthony.

Relative to the boundary line between the towns of Gay Head and Chilmark (Senate, No. 140); Towns of Gay Head and Chilmark, — boundary line.

(Severally reported on the annual report of the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners, Pub. Doc. No. 11, in part);

Relative to juvenile offenders in need of hospital treatment (Senate, No. 168); and Juvenile offenders, — hospital treatment.

To authorize transfers from the Lyman School for Boys and from the State Industrial School for Girls to the Hospital Cottages for Children or the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded (Senate, No. 169); Lyman and Industrial Schools, — transfers.

(Severally reported on the recommendations and suggestions of the trustees of the Lyman and Industrial Schools, House, No. 35, in part);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the erection and alteration of buildings in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 193), referred by the Senate to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules. City of Boston, — buildings.

A petition of J. Gray and others in aid of the Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Fisheries and Game. Board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game.

A petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 194) of James W. Hoitt, second clerk in the office of the Chief of the District Police, for an increase of salary, referred by the Senate to the committee on Public Service, under a Chief of the District Police, — salary of second clerk.

suspension of the 12th joint rule, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Reports of Committees.

Lemuel Burr.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the House should concur with the Senate in its amendment to the House Resolve in favor of Lemuel Burr (House, No. 195). Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

Lyman School
for Boys, —
new street.

By Mr. Sisson of Lynn, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 720) of M. H. Walker and others for legislation to authorize the construction of a street to accommodate travel to and from the Lyman School for Boys. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Massachusetts
Hospital for
Consumptives
and Tubercular
Patients, —
purchase of
land.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill making an appropriation to purchase land for the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients ought to pass, in the form of a resolve, with the title "Resolve to provide for the purchase of land for the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients." (House, No. 854.)

County of
Middlesex, —
highway in the
city of Newton.

By Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, from the committee on Counties, on a petition, a Bill to empower the county commissioners of Middlesex County to lay out and establish a highway in the city of Newton. (House, No. 68.)

First Baptist
Meeting House
of Dorchester.

By Mr. Davis of Amesbury, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 488), a Bill relative to the appointment of trustees of the First Baptist Meeting House of Dorchester, situated in Neponset Village. (House, No. 853.)

Third Parish of
Dedham.

By Mr. Litchfield of Middleborough, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Third Parish of Dedham. (House, No. 502.)

City of Boston,
— care of
neglected chil-
dren; county of
Suffolk, — chil-
dren in the
house of ref-
ormation.

By Mr. Coolidge of Cambridge, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 719), a Bill relative to the care of neglected children in the custody of the trustees for children in the city of Boston and children in the

house of reformation for the county of Suffolk. (House, No. 852.)

By Mr. Miller of Pepperell, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on a petition, a Bill to provide a penalty for trespassing upon bicycle paths. (House, No. 793.)

Bicycle paths
— trespass.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Paton of Leominster, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve in favor of the Trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts (House, No. 236) ought to pass.

Soldiers' Home
in Massachu-
setts.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the same committee, that the Bill to provide for the appointment of an assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Hampshire ought to pass. (House, No. 855.)

County of
Hampshire, —
assistant
register of
probate and
insolvency.

By Mr. Donovan of Taunton, from the committee on Cities, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the election of city officers by city councils (House, No. 372) ought to pass.

City councils, —
election of city
officers.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the annual report of the trustees of the State Farm (Pub. Doc. No. 24), in part, a Resolve to provide for certain alterations, additions and improvements at the asylum for insane criminals at the State Farm.

State Farm, —
asylum for
insane crimi-
nals.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the annual report of the trustees of the State Farm (Pub. Doc. No. 24), in part, a Resolve to provide a building for female prisoners and certain other improvements at the State Farm and for the purchase of farm lands and cows.

State Farm, —
building for
female prison-
ers, improve-
ments and pur-
chase of land
and cows.

By Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, from the committee on State House, that the Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) to authorize the employment of a messenger in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth ought to pass.

Auditor of Ac-
counts, —
messenger.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the State Fire Marshal ;

Bills enacted.

Making an appropriation for operating the Charles River valley system of sewerage ;

In addition to an act making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1898 ;

Making an appropriation for operating the Neponset River valley system of sewage disposal ;

Relative to the board of aldermen of the city of Newburyport ;

To ratify and confirm the franchises and locations granted to Frank O. Squire and to the Eastern Cold Storage Company in the city of Boston ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of Frank L. Garland ; and

Providing for the making of surveys and plans of the State House grounds and of lands and buildings adjacent thereto and for the furnishing of estimates of the value of such adjacent lands ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of B. F. Daggett and others that the city messenger of the city of Haverhill shall be elected by popular vote, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the fees of clerks of the Supreme Judicial Court and the Superior Court (House, No. 243) was rejected, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

Relative to registering and confirming titles to land (House, No. 439) ;

Relative to registering and confirming titles to land (House, No. 849) ; and

To authorize the Boston Dental College and the trustees of Tufts College to unite (Senate, No. 79) ; and

Resolves :

Relative to compiling, indexing and publishing the records of the Massachusetts troops who served in the Revolutionary War (printed as House, No. 215) ; and

To provide for the purchase of apparatus to be used at polling places in the canvass and count of votes (printed as House, No. 216) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the clerks and the assistant clerks of the Senate and the House of Representatives (Senate, No. 186) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the licensing of gas fitters and persons who install or repair gas fixtures, and to the supervision of the business of gas fitting and the installation and repair of gas fixtures in the town of Brookline (House, No. 839) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a " Bill relative to the licensing of gas fitters and the supervision of gas fitting in the town of Brookline " (House, No. 851), which was read.

Pending the amendment and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Smith of Waltham.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 306) of the mayor of the city of Haverhill for legislation to provide for the election of the superintendent of highways in said city, was considered.

Mr. Carey of Haverhill moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill relative to the superintendent of highways of the city of Haverhill " (House, No. 306).

After debate the House refused to substitute the bill, by a vote of 37 to 73, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the city of Melrose (House, No. 848) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Adams of Melrose moved to amend section 48 by inserting before the word " No," in line 1, the words " No vote of the board of aldermen granting or bestowing

a franchise or privilege of any description in the public ways or public property, to any person or corporation, for a term of more than sixty days, shall be valid unless the same shall be approved by a vote of the qualified voters of the city, voting at large in their respective voting places at a meeting duly called for that purpose within fourteen days, or at the annual municipal election: *provided, however*, that additional locations for poles and the extending of lines by electric light, telephone or telegraph companies already established may be granted by the board of aldermen, under the rules and regulations as may be provided for by ordinance."

After debate the amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill making appropriations for the Massachusetts Highway Commission (House, No. 836) was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Mills of Newburyport.

On motion of Mr. Bleiler of Boston, at twenty-five minutes before four o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 17, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock
A.M.

Prayer was offered by Reverend Lewis B. Bates of
Boston.

Annual Report.

The twentieth annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity (Pub. Doc. No. 17), received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions and sent up for concurrence.

State Board of
Lunacy and
Charity.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Quigley of Chelmsford, a Resolve in favor of Jesse A. Viles. The resolve having been read, Mr. Stewart of Boston moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Jesse A. Viles.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Bleiler of Boston, petition of John B. Strongman, Emma J. Bruce and others ; by Mr. Clerke of Boston, petition of Joseph K. Dixon, May E. Vosburg and others ; by Mr. Feiker of Northampton, petition of Charles C. Clapp, Sarah E. Ladd and others ; by Mr. Harvell of Rockland, petition of Francis Collamore, Julia W. Morton and others ; by Mr. Marchesseault of Spencer, petition of William E. Searles, Mary S. Davis and others ; by Mr. Nickerson of Harwich, petition of Willie Small, Mattie Rogers and others ; by Mr. Root of Boston, petition of Henry Hinckley, Mary R. DeShon and others ; by Mr. Sprague of Quincy, petition of John R. Anderson, Bessie B. Hicks and others ; by Mr. Whelan of Weymouth, petition of E. P. Collin, Sarah B. Collier and others ; and by Mr. Williams of Foxborough, petition of Milton M. Fisher, Sarah F. Plummer and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Woman
suffrage, —
license
question.

By Mr. Brooks of Orange, petition of Sarah E. Davis, Franklin L. Waters and others; by Mr. Estes of Brockton, petition of Lucy R. Gurney, Joseph Adams and others; by Mr. Feiker of Northampton, petition of Harriet F. Clapp, A. D. Montague and others; by Mr. Harlow of Whitman, petition of the W. C. T. U. of Whitman; by Mr. Porter of Lynn, petition of officers of the Lynnfield Centre W. C. T. U.; and by Mr. Whelan of Weymouth, petition of Mary A. Wolfe, Andrew Culley and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to enable women to vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Board of com-
missioners on
inland fisheries
and game.

By Mr. Howland of Dartmouth, petition of John H. Howland and others; by Mr. Prindle of Williamstown, petition of Nathaniel Morris and others; by Mr. Puffer of Springfield, petition of J. A. Sexton and others; and by Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, petition of Andrew M. Wood and others, — severally, in aid of the Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Foreign corpo-
rations, — com-
plete returns.

By Mr. Heath of Northborough, petition of Charles J. G. Hubbard and others; and by Mr. Whelan of Weymouth, petition of Wilmot Cleverly and others, — severally, in aid of the Bill to require complete returns from foreign companies doing business in this Commonwealth.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Mortgages, —
notice of
foreclosure.

By Mr. Grimes of Reading, petition of J. Mona Lesser for legislation to provide for the filing of notices of the intended foreclosure of certain mortgages. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

Joint special
committee, —
visit of the
President of the
United States.

A report of the joint special committee appointed to extend to the President of the United States the greetings of the General Court and to tender to him an invitation

to visit the General Court during his visit to the city of Boston, — that they called upon the President on Thursday, February 16, extended to him the greetings and invitation required by the resolutions, and were pleased to report that the President had accepted the invitation of the General Court and would meet them, when assembled in joint convention, on Friday, February 17, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, — accepted by the Senate, was read and was accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Mills of Newburyport.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 494) of John Mason Little for an amendment of chapter 210 of the Acts of the year 1898 relative to the plotting and laying out of streets in the city of Boston, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs ;

City of Boston,
— streets.

Of the same committee, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 517) of Roswell S. Barrows for legislation relative to the plotting and laying out of streets in the city of Boston, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs ;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to blasting within the metropolitan district (House, No. 262), and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency ; and

Metropolitan
district, —
blasting.

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 790) of H. Huestis Newton for legislation to compensate Annie H. Corson for injuries received while in the employ of the Commonwealth at the State Normal School at Bridgewater, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on Ways and Means ;

Annie H.
Corson.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence.

A Bill to authorize the trustees of the Danvers Insane Hospital to sell a certain lot of land (Senate, No. 198) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, House,

Danvers Insane
Hospital, —
sale of land.

No. 97), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

Petitions of M. V. Bennett and others, R. F. Thayer and others, S. F. McFarlin and others, Leander Terry and others, P. A. Beaton and others, J. M. Holbrook and others, A. Bailey and others, A. F. Noyes and others, H. L. King and others and C. P. Collier and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education.

Reports of Committees.

Horseshoers, —
registration.

By Mr. Odlin of Andover, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for the registration of horseshoers (House, No. 199) ought not to pass.

Habitual
criminals.

By Mr. Smith of Waltham, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to abolish the act concerning habitual criminals (House, No. 428) ought not to pass.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

By Mr. Corey of Sturbridge, from the committee on Agriculture, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) in favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College (House, No. 169) ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To authorize the city of North Adams to refund its present indebtedness ; and

To authorize the town of Stoneham to refund certain taxes ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Joint Convention.

Joint conven-
tion, — Presi-
dent of the
United States.

Pursuant to assignment, at eleven o'clock A.M., the two branches met in joint convention for the purpose of receiving the President of the United States.

Messrs. Harwood, Fairbank, Maxwell and Keliber, of the Senate, and Messrs. Mills of Newburyport, Myers of Cambridge, Hawes of Weymouth, Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, Stone of Springfield, Haskins of Rockport, Reed of Taunton, Carleton of Haverhill, Sands of Boston, Brigham of Marlborough and Salter of Lynn, of the House, the joint special committee appointed under the joint resolutions recently adopted, were directed by the President of the convention to wait upon the President of the United States in the Governor's room, and inform him that the two branches were in joint convention for the purpose of receiving him, and awaited his pleasure.

Subsequently, Mr. Harwood, from the committee, reported that the President of the United States would attend upon the convention forthwith.

Soon afterwards the Sergeant-at-Arms announced the President of the United States, who came in accompanied by the Honorable Lyman J. Gage, Secretary of the Treasury, the Honorable Russell A. Alger, Secretary of War, the Honorable Charles Emory Smith, Postmaster General, the Honorable John D. Long, Secretary of the Navy, the Honorable Cornelius N. Bliss, Secretary of the Interior, His Excellency the Governor, His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, and others.

The President of the Convention welcomed the President of the United States and presented him to the convention.

The President of the United States then addressed the convention, after which the members thereof were individually presented to him by the presiding officers of the two branches.

The Honorable John D. Long, Secretary of the Navy, and the Honorable Lyman J. Gage, Secretary of the Treasury, also addressed the convention, after which the President of the United States and the other visitors withdrew, the convention was dissolved and the Senate returned to its chamber.

On motion of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, at five minutes past twelve o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, February 20, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by Reverend W. S. Apsey of Reading.

House Document Ordered Printed.

Trees, —
preservation.

On motion of Mr. Ross of Boston, five hundred extra copies of the Bill to codify and amend the laws relating to the preservation of trees (House, No. 656) were ordered printed.

Order.

Committee on
Labor, — investigation of labor
troubles in the
city of Marl-
borough.

The order instructing the committee on Labor to proceed immediately to the city of Marlborough to investigate the causes of the strike among the shoemakers of that city, the consideration of which was postponed from Thursday last, was considered, and after debate was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Annual Report.

Inspector of
Gas Meters and
Illuminating
Gas.

The annual report of the Inspector of Gas Meters and Illuminating Gas (Pub. Doc. No. 55), received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was referred to the committee on Manufactures and sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

Criminal
pleadings, —
simplification.

By Mr. Selfridge of Boston, a Resolve to provide for printing the report of the commissioners appointed to investigate and report upon a plan for the simplification of criminal pleadings. The resolve having been read, Mr. Selfridge moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Petitions.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally presented and referred :—

City of Boston,
— height of
buildings on
Beacon Hill.

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, petition of Charles E. Greenough and others in aid of the petition for legislation to

limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston. To the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Kavanaugh of Montague, petition of E. F. Buzzell, Julia Tucker and others; by Mr. Smith of Dover, petition of John Dyer, Emma F. Johnson and others; and by Mr. Whelan of Weymouth, petition of E. W. Arnold, Mary B. Sweetser and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools. Public schools, — physiology and hygiene.

Severally to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Henderson of Rowley, remonstrances of James A. Carter and others of Rowley and William H. Jewett and others of Ipswich, — severally, against any legislation giving to selectmen the right to lease any shore, flats or bars for the purpose of taking clams. Towns, — rights of selectmen to permit the taking of clams.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Feiker of Northampton, petition of Mary Porter, Samuel Edwards and others; by Mr. Kavanaugh of Montague, petition of Martha E. Crafts, George F. Pease and others; and by Mr. Porter of Lynn, petition of Rebecca S. Richardson, R. S. Henfield and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to enable women to vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses. Woman suffrage, — license question.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

By Mr. Estes of Brockton, petitions of J. J. Cooper and others and Elmer H. Fletcher and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide for the establishment of dispensaries for the sale of alcohol and intoxicating liquors in no-license cities and towns. Intoxicating liquors, — dispensaries in no-license cities and towns.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, petition of J. H. Horton and others; by Mr. Kavanaugh of Montague, petition of H. W. Field and others; and by Mr. Rounseville of Rochester, petition of T. T. Vaughan and others, — severally, in aid of the Bill to require complete returns from foreign companies doing business in this Commonwealth. Foreign corporations, — complete returns.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Fisher of Amherst, petition of the selectmen of South Hadley and others for legislation to provide for the removal of snow and ice from sidewalks in towns at Towns, — removal of snow and ice from sidewalks.

public expense. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

City of Boston,
— playgrounds.

A report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 125) of Frank W. Estey for an amendment of the law to provide a comprehensive system of playgrounds in the city of Boston, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency, accepted by the Senate, was read and was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Depositions.

Relative to the taking of depositions (Senate, No. 191) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 10) ; and

Land, — summary process
for the recovery
of.

Relative to summary process for the recovery of land (Senate, No. 192) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 82) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Notice was received of the rejection by the Senate of the following bills : —

Safe deposit,
loan and trust
companies.

Bill relative to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (House, No. 133) ; and

City of Boston,
— park commissioners.

Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the leasing of buildings and the granting of concessions by the park commissioners of Boston (House, No. 332).

Reports of Committees.

County of
Suffolk, — S.
Alice Osborne.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize the county of Suffolk to pay a sum of money to S. Alice Osborne. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill (House, No. 858) was referred to the committee on Counties.

Jesse A. Viles.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Resolve (introduced on leave) in favor of Jesse A. Viles. Read and

considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the resolve (House, No. 857) was referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of the mayor of the city of Woburn that said city may be authorized to increase its water debt. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Saunders, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 859) was referred to the committee on Cities.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 9th joint rule on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 184) of Edmund Anthony, Jr., and others for legislation relative to the relocation and widening of the old bridge over the Acushnet River between the city of New Bedford and the town of Fairhaven. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Mellen, the 9th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Railroads, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

By Mr. James H. Donovan of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 433) of the Republican City Committee of Fall River for legislation to more clearly define the rights, duties and powers of political committees.

By Mr. Dumond of Boston, from the committee on the Liquor Law, no legislation necessary, on so much of the seventh annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth (Pub. Doc. No. 46) as relates to liquor licenses.

By Mr. Minihan of Cambridge, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 319) of Charles H. Upson for legislation relative to the transportation of liquors into no-license cities and towns.

By Mr. Gaddis of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying

City of
Woburn, —
water debt.

Acushnet
River, — bridge
between New
Bedford and
Fairhaven.

Political com-
mittees, —
rights, duties
and powers.

Secretary of
the Common-
wealth, — report
on liquor
licenses.

Intoxicating
liquors, — trans-
portation into
no-license cities
and towns.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
manufacture

and sale of, as
beverages.

bill, House, No. 64) of Frank M. Forbush and others for legislation to prohibit the manufacture and sale of spirituous or intoxicating liquor as a beverage.

City of Boston,
— removal of
snow from
public alleys.

By Mr. Russell of Boston, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 715) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation to authorize said city to levy assessments for the removal of snow from public alleys. [Messrs. Fitzgerald of Boston and Sullivan of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

Almshouses.

By Mr. Chandler of Somerville, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 721) of George W. Bray and others for legislation concerning almshouses in cities and towns.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Alexander O'D.
Taylor.

By Mr. Haywood of Lynn, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on a petition, a Resolve to confirm the acts of Alexander O'D. Taylor as a commissioner for Massachusetts in Rhode Island. (House, No. 130.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

County of
Bristol, — sit-
ting of Superior
Court at Fall
River.

By Mr. Tatman of Worcester, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to establish a sitting of the Superior Court for the county of Bristol in the city of Fall River (House, No. 453) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Commissioners
appointed to
assess damages,
— compensa-
tion.

By Mr. Smith of Waltham, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the compensation of commissioners appointed to assess damages in certain cases (House, No. 341) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 856.)

County of
Bristol, —
assistance for
treasurer.

By Mr. Lowe of New Bedford, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the treasurer of the county of Bristol to employ additional clerical assistance. (House, No. 460.)

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Counties on the part of the House.

Industrial
School for
Girls, — new
building.

By Mr. Coolidge of Cambridge, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the recommendations

and suggestions of the trustees of the Lyman and Industrial Schools (House, No. 35), in part, a Resolve to provide for a new building at the State Industrial School for Girls.

By Mr. Hopewell of Fall River, from the same committee, on the recommendations and suggestions of the trustees of the Lyman and Industrial Schools (House, No. 35), in part, a Resolve to provide for a new building at the Lyman School for Boys.

Lyman School for Boys, — new building.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Bennett of Saugus, the Bill making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Harbor and Land Commissioners (House, No. 95) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until Thursday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, pending the amendments previously moved by Mr. Trow of Salem, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed.

Harbor and Land Commissioners, — appropriations.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To incorporate the South Deerfield Cemetery Association ;

Bills enacted.

To provide for the enforcement of orders made by the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game relative to fishways ; and

Relative to the clerks and the assistant clerks of the Senate and the House of Representatives ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motions of Mr. Root of Boston, the Bill to provide for the registration of horseshoers (House, No. 199) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Horseshoers, — registration.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 720) of M. H. Walker and others for legislation to authorize the construction of a street to accommodate travel to and from the Lyman School for Boys, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, no legislation necessary, on the fourteenth annual report of the Board of Police for the City of Boston (Pub. Doc. No. 49) was accepted, in concurrence.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendment to the House Resolve in favor of Lemuel Burr (House, No. 195), and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Bills :

Relative to the election of city officers by city councils (House, No. 372) ;

To change the name of the Third Parish of Dedham (House, No. 502) ;

Relative to the appointment of trustees of the First Baptist Meeting House of Dorchester, situated in Neponset Village (House, No. 853) ;

To provide for the appointment of an assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Hampshire (House, No. 855) ;

To afford greater protection to game and game birds and to prevent their extermination by hunting upon the Lord's Day (Senate, No. 38) ;

To authorize the American Order of Druids to hold its annual meetings outside the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 188) ;

Relative to the distribution of the street railway taxes for the year 1898 (Senate, No. 189) ; and

To authorize the trustees of the Danvers Insane Hospital to sell a certain lot of land (Senate, No. 198) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts (House, No. 236) ; and

To provide for the purchase of land for the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients (House, No. 854) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relative to registering and confirming titles to land (House, No. 439) ; and

Relative to registering and confirming titles to land (House, No. 849) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the licensing of gas fitters and persons who install or repair gas fixtures, and to the supervision of the business of gas fitting and the installation and repair of gas fixtures in the town of Brookline (House, No. 839) was amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by the substitution of a bill printed as House, No. 851, and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Boston Dental College and the trustees of Tufts College to unite (Senate, No. 79) ; and

Resolves :

Relative to compiling, indexing and publishing the records of the Massachusetts troops who served in the Revolutionary War (printed as House, No. 215) ; and

To provide for the purchase of apparatus to be used at polling places in the canvass and count of votes (printed as House, No. 216) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to empower the county commissioners of Middlesex County to lay out and establish a highway in the city of Newton (House, No. 63) was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Friday next, on motion of Mr. Langford of Newton.

The Bill relative to the care of neglected children in the custody of the trustees for children in the city of Boston and children in the house of reformation for the county of Suffolk (House, No. 852) was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it

was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

The Bill to provide a penalty for trespassing upon bicycle paths (House, No. 793) was read a second time, and after debate, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was recommitted to the committee on Roads and Bridges, on motion of Mr. Davenport of Greenfield.

The Bill to abolish the act concerning habitual criminals (House, No. 428) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Probate and Insolvency, and notice was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Sisson of Lynn, at nine minutes before three o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 21, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by Reverend William C. Litchfield of Middleborough, a member of the House.

Bill Ordered Printed as a House Document.

On motion of Mr. Mills of Newburyport, a Bill to provide for the better protection of lobsters and the more ready enforcement of the law relative thereto, was ordered printed as a House document. (House, No. 865.)

Lobsters, —
protection of.*Order.*

On motion of Mr. Seavey of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Pay-Roll make up the pay-roll for travelling expenses of Messrs. John T. Langford of Newton, Edward M. Lombard of Springfield and Frederick C. Mahony of Boston.

Committee on
Pay-Roll, —
travelling ex-
penses of
certain members
of the House.*Annual Report.*

The annual report of the Commissioners on the Topographical Survey and Map of Massachusetts (Pub. Doc. No. 50), received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was referred to the joint committee on Ways and Means and sent up for concurrence.

Topographical
Survey and
Map.*Petitions.*

The following petitions and remonstrance were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, petition of Oliver H. Linnell, Lilian Brooks and others; and by Mr. Rounseville of Rochester, petition of George W. Atwood, Harriet McFarlin and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Public schools
— physiology
and hygiene.

Severally to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition of Alice Parker Lesser and others; and by Mr. Wheeler of Boston, peti-

Woman
suffrage.

tion of Adelaide Stimpson and others, — severally, in aid of the petitions for legislation to authorize women to vote for presidential electors and in municipal elections.

Woman
suffrage, —
license ques-
tion.

By Mr. Cook of Milford, petition of Cynthia Wood and others; by Mr. Feiker of Northampton, petition of Sarah E. Ladd, Charles C. Clapp and others; by Mr. Kavenaugh of Montague, petition of officers of the W. C. T. U. of Montague; and by Mr. Twombly of Framingham, petition of Lottie Garfield, John Peterson and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to enable women to vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Board of com-
missioners on
inland fisheries
and game.

By Mr. Clerke of Boston, petition of John C. Haynes and others in aid of the Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Nantasket
Beach, — public
reservation.

By Mr. Newton of Everett, petition of George W. Cook and others in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation. To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Draught
wagons, —
width of tires.

By Mr. Donovan of Taunton, petition of Samuel A. Dean and others in aid of the petition for legislation to regulate the width of tires on draught wagons. To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Taxes, —
collection of.

By Mr. Luce of Somerville, remonstrance of A. A. Browning and others against the passage of the Bill relative to the collection of taxes.

Foreign corpo-
rations, — com-
plete returns.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, petition of N. K. Cross and others; by Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, petition of R. T. Lombard and another; by Mr. Brown of Weston, petition of Nathan S. Fiske and others; by Mr. Bugbee of Monson, petition of John O. Hamilton and others; by Mr. Bushnell of Sheffield, petition of Charles W. Ray and others; by Mr. Cook of Milford, petition of Willard S. Wilcox and others; by Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, petition of James A. Small and others; by Mr. Crosby of Attleborough, petition of Charles T. Oldfield and others; by Mr. Dyer of Gardner, petition of John D. Howard and others; by Mr. Fisher of Amherst, petition of C. N. Webster and others; by Mr. Fitts of Somerville,

petition of Benjamin F. Thompson and others; by Mr. Harlow of Whitman, petition of George D. Soule and others; by Mr. Harwood of Littleton, petition of George H. Hartford and others; by Mr. Libby of Medford, petition of George H. Carter and another; by Mr. Marcheseault of Spencer, petition of T. B. Robinson and another; by Mr. Miller of Southwick, petition of Frank B. Allen and others; by Mr. Morrison of Fall River, petition of Samuel G. Arnold and others; by Mr. Paton of Leominster, petition of Henry Cook and others; by Mr. Persons of Maynard, petition of Savillian Arnold and others; by Mr. Rounseville of Rochester, petition of Orin E. Haskins and others; by Mr. Sullivan of Natick, petition of David Finn and others; by Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, petition of DeWitt C. Bates and another; and by Mr. Williams of Foxborough, petition of Henry C. Austin and others, — severally, in aid of the Bill to require complete returns from foreign companies doing business in this Commonwealth.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Leslie of Waltham, petition of Erskine Warden for legislation to authorize the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded to exchange a parcel of land for another of equal value. Mr. Stone of Springfield moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Massachusetts
School for the
Feeble-minded,
— exchange of
land.

Papers from the Senate.

The following petitions and remonstrance were severally referred, in concurrence: —

Petitions of William L. Greene and others, Joseph K. Dixon and others, F. L. Brooks and others, George W. Austin and others, Walter Knight and others, Nathaniel Seaver and others, E. F. Buzzell and others and R. F. Thayer and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Remonstrance of the town of Provincetown against the proposed legislation relative to the prevention of the maintenance or operation of mackerel purse seines in

Fisheries, —
mackerel and
menhaden
purse seines.

the waters of the Commonwealth, and relative to the prevention of the maintenance or operation of menhaden purse seines in the waters of the Commonwealth. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Osteopathy.

Petition of Benjamin B. Abbe and others in aid of the petition for legislation authorizing the practice of osteopathy. To the committee on Public Health.

Reports of Committees.

City of Boston,
— caucus and
election laws,
assessment and
registration of
voters, assess-
ment and elec-
tion districts,
voting precincts.

By Mr. James H. Donovan of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 59) of Henry D. Yeaton for revision and amendment of the laws relative to caucuses and elections and the assessment and registration of voters, also laws for the establishment of assessment and election districts and voting precincts in the city of Boston.

Id.

By Mr. Skinner of Watertown, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the Senate files of last year) of Henry D. Yeaton for legislation to revise, amend and codify the laws relative to caucuses and elections, relative to the assessment and registration of voters, and relative to assessment districts and voting precincts in the city of Boston.

City of Boston,
— board of
election com-
missioners.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 810) of Joseph B. Wermers for legislation to provide for the abolition of the board of election commissioners of the city of Boston.

Boston Marine
Society.

By Mr. Kyle of Plymouth, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 708) of Grant M. Palmer and another for legislation to amend the charter of the Boston Marine Society.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Thursday.

County of
Norfolk, —
registry of
deeds and
probate.

By Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, from the committee on Counties, on a petition, a Bill to provide for the purchase of a tract of land in Dedham to be used for the construction thereon of a registry of deeds and a registry of probate. (Printed as Senate, No. 78.)

County of
Middlesex, —
land and build-

By Mr. Mansfield of Lowell, from the same committee, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 27), a

Bill to provide additional land and buildings for the truant school of the county of Middlesex at Chelmsford. ings for truant school at Chelmsford.
(House, No. 862.)

By Mr. Howard of Fall River, from the committee on Election Laws, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 434), a Bill relative to nomination papers and conventions. Nomination papers and conventions.
(House, No. 863.)

By Mr. Eddy of West Bridgewater, from the committee on Towns, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 191), a Bill to provide for the establishment of a fire department and the appointment of a fire commissioner in the town of Brookline. Town of Brookline, — fire department and commissioner.
(House, No. 861.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve to provide for certain improvements at the Danvers Insane Hospital ought to pass. Danvers Insane Hospital, — improvements.
(House, No. 864.) Placed in the orders of the day for Thursday for a second reading.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the First District Court of Southern Worcester. First District Court of Southern Worcester, — salary of clerk.
(House, No. 506.) Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Counties on the part of the House.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition (with accompanying resolve, Senate, No. 180), a Resolve to provide for certain new buildings and improvements at the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics. Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics, — new buildings and improvements.

By Mr. Sisson of Lynn, from the same committee, on the annual report of the Medfield Insane Asylum (Pub. Doc. No. 59), in part, a Resolve to provide for a farm building at the Medfield Insane Asylum. Medfield Insane Asylum, — farm building.

By Mr. Crouch of Northampton, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the town of Rutland. Town of Rutland.
(House, No. 492.)

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to deposits by county treasurers ;

To provide for the cultivation of food fish ; and

Bills enacted.

Relative to the Plymouth and Sandwich Street Railway Company ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the day.

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 433) of the Republican City Committee of Fall River for legislation to more clearly define the rights, duties and powers of political committees ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, no legislation necessary, on so much of the seventh annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth (Pub. Doc. No. 46) as relates to liquor licenses ;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 319) of Charles H. Upson for legislation relative to the transportation of liquors into no-license cities and towns ; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 64) of Frank M. Forbush and others for legislation to prohibit the manufacture and sale of spirituous or intoxicating liquor as a beverage ;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 715) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation to authorize said city to levy assessments for the removal of snow from public alleys ; and

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 721) of George W. Bray and others for legislation concerning almshouses in cities and towns ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To establish a sitting of the Superior Court for the county of Bristol in the city of Fall River (House, No. 453) ;

Relative to the taking of depositions (Senate, No. 191) ; and

Relative to summary process or the recovery of land (Senate, No. 192) ; and

The Resolve to confirm the acts of Alexander O'D.

Taylor as a commissioner for Massachusetts in Rhode Island (House, No. 130) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relative to the election of city officers by city councils (House, No. 372) ;

To change the name of the Third Parish of Dedham (House, No. 502) ;

Relative to the appointment of trustees of the First Baptist Meeting House of Dorchester, situated in Neponset Village (House, No. 853) ; and

To provide for the appointment of an assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Hampshire (House, No. 855) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts (House, No. 236) ; and

To provide for the purchase of land for the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients (House, No. 854) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the American Order of Druids to hold its annual meetings outside the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 188) ;

Relative to the distribution of the street railway taxes for the year 1898 (Senate, No. 189) ; and

To authorize the trustees of the Danvers Insane Hospital to sell a certain lot of land (Senate, No. 198) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the care of neglected children in the custody of the trustees for children in the city of Boston and children in the house of reformation for the county of Suffolk (House, No. 852) was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester raised the point of order that the bill was improperly before the House for the reason that the petition considered by the committee asked for the passage of a general bill, while the bill reported by the committee applied only to the city of Boston, and was therefore special in its character. Point of order.

Pending the decision of the Chair on the point of order, the bill was laid on the table, there being no objection.

The Bill to afford greater protection to game and game birds and to prevent their extermination by hunting upon the Lord's Day (Senate, No. 38) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Mills of Newburyport moved to amend section 1 by striking out all after the word "seasons," in line 5.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, the amendment was rejected.

On the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and the roll being called the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read "Bill to make the Lord's Day close season for game and birds."

The vote was 104 yeas to 41 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ainsworth, Wilfred
Andrews, David B.
Apsey, Albert S.
Balcom, George
Bartlett, Edwin
Bennett, Frank P.
Blood, Charles H.
Burgess, Albert H.
Burrington, Lester L.
Bushnell, S. Hopkins
Campbell, Andrew
Chandler, Leonard B.
Chapple, William D.
Cluer, Arthur H.
Conwell, Robert E.
Corey, Charles V.
Crosby, Alfred R.
Crosby, J. Howell
Dalton, J. Frank
Davis, William R.
Dean, Benjamin C.
Dean, Charles A.
Dean, George Z.
Drake, Frederic P.
Dudley, George J.
Dyer, George N.

Messrs. Eddy, Curtis
Feiker, William H.
Fisher, George E.
Folsom, Albert T.
Hagberg, John G.
Harlow, Franklin P.
Harvell, Elisha T.
Harvie, Robert B.
Haskins, Leander M.
Hawes, Martin E.
Heath, Guilford P.
Henderson, Francis D.
Hooper, Franklin K.
Howland, Charles W.
Howland, Willard
Hunt, James
Judd, William E.
Keith, Charles P.
Keyou, Nicholas B.
Kyle, William S.
Leland, Francis
Leslie, George F.
Libby, John F.
Litchfield, James A.
Litchfield, William C.
Lockhart, Alexander

Messrs. Lombard, Edward M.	Messrs. Salter, William R.
Lowe, John H.	Seavey, James F.
Luce, Robert	Selfridge, George S.
Marchesseault, Eugene D.	Severance, Joseph C.
Marden, William H.	Shaw, Nathan W.
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.	Sheppard, Eben W.
Mead, Edward C.	Simmons, Arthur A.
Miller, Calvin S.	Sisson, Robert S.
Miller, Charles H.	Skinner, Henry R.
Mills, Charles P.	Smith, Allen F.
Moore, James S.	Smith, Charles F. A.
Morrison, Andrew H.	Smith, Charles G.
Morse, Merrick A.	Sprague, Eugene H.
Munroe, John P.	Stanley, Benjamin F.
Myers, James J.	Stone, Silas A.
Neal, David	Stone, Willmore B.
Newton, H. Huestis	Swift, William S.
Newton, Phinehas S.	Tatman, Charles T.
Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.	Turner, Henry E.
Parker, William C.	Upson, Charles H.
Pike, William T.	Wallace, S. Ives
Porter, Thomas F.	Wentworth, Edward E.
Powers, John A.	Weston, Walter S.
Ramsdell, Charles H.	Whipple, John J.
Robinson, Lewis D.	White, Horace C.
Root, Albert B.	Wood, Alva S.

NAYS.

Messrs Brown, Willard M.	Messrs. Mansfield, Matthew M.
Bugbee, Nelson A.	McIsaac, Daniel V.
Bullock, William J.	McLoughlin, William I.
Crouch, Charles S.	Mellen, James H.
Cullinane, Richard	Minihan, Cornelius
Currier, Guy W.	Minton, John M.
Dillon, Thomas J.	Montgomery, James A.
Donahue, Thomas	Murphy, Mortimer D.A.
Donovan, James H.	Paton, Alexander S.
Douglass, John J.	Queeney, James H.
Flanagan, John J.	Ross, Samuel
Frost, Archie N.	Rounseville, Albert
Gartland, John J., Jr.	Saunders, Charles R.
Gilpatric, Fred C.	Scates, Louis M.
Grant, Oliver S.	Toland, John I.
Hancock, Portus B.	Tolman, William
Hopewell, William	Toomey, John J.
Kane, Daniel J.	Twomey, Edmund J.
Kavenaugh, John E.	Whall, Harry B.
King, Charles F.	Whelan, John B.
Lomasney, Martin M.	

104 yeas ; 41 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Battles, David W.*	Messrs. Sullivan, Michael J.
Persons, Charles H.	Sullivan, Timothy F.*
Ray, Albert H.*	Gaddis, Michael E.
Horton, Henry T.	Howard, Robert *
Russell, Arthur P.	Lanergan, John P.*
Reed, Silas D.	Mahoney, David A.*
Langford, John T.	Francis, Frank W.*
Coolidge, Daniel S.*	Miller, William J.
Goulding, Albert M.	Kells, William, Jr.*
Harwood, Herbert J.	Briggs, Clarence A.*
Ross, Leonard W.*	Donovan, Edward J.
Brigham, William M.	Carey, James F.*
Davis, Daniel W.	Love, Joseph P.*
Trow, Charles E.	Daly, William *
Chase, Henry L.	Donovan, Eugene E.*

* Present.

On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, at seventeen minutes past four o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 23, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and stated that Mr. Stone of Springfield had been appointed to preside. Mr. Stone accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Veto Message from the Governor.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor:—

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, Feb. 23, 1899.

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives.

I return herewith to the House in which it originated a bill entitled "An Act relative to the Days of Grace on Sight Drafts," with my objections thereto in writing.

Veto message,
— Bill relative
to days of grace
on sight drafts.

Under our federal system of government, the laws of the several States vary widely, and in many departments of legislation no serious inconvenience arises from the differences that exist. In other departments, however, it has long been felt that a greater degree of uniformity is both possible and desirable.

To this end the Legislature of 1891 authorized the appointment of a Board of Commissioners on Uniformity of Legislation, who since then have labored diligently in co-operation with commissioners appointed for a like purpose in a large number of other States.

As a result of their labors and with the concurrence of the commissioners representing other States, a bill was presented to the consideration of your immediate predecessors, and was enacted as chapter 533 of the Acts of 1898, entitled "An Act relative to Negotiable Instruments." This act, approved June 15, 1898, took effect on the first day of January of the present year.

It would appear to require no argument to sustain the proposition that if there be any department of law in which uniformity among the several States is greatly desirable,

and in which diversity is certain to create confusion and uncertainty, it is that which regulates and controls the customary business dealings between citizens of different States and jurisdictions, and which defines the rights of parties to the commercial paper or negotiable instruments through the agency of which these dealings are transacted.

The legislatures of seven States, and the Congress of the United States acting for the District of Columbia, have enacted statutes in the precise words of the act of 1898, and it is expected that other States will adopt this act during the present year.

Two-thirds of the States of the Union have enacted statutes abolishing days of grace on negotiable paper, including sight drafts, and it is believed that no State that has once abolished days of grace has ever restored them. Nearly all the great commercial cities of the country are at the present time conducting business under laws which have expressly done away with days of grace on sight drafts. That these laws have in many States existed for five, ten or more years would appear to be conclusive evidence that no serious inconvenience has been caused to business by their operation.

The only justification for reading into certain commercial papers terms which do not appear thereon, to wit, days of grace, is that it is a well established and universally recognized custom. When it ceases to be a custom by the positive enactment of a large majority of the States, its retention by a small number of States tends to create unnecessary confusion.

If uniformity of legislation on the law-merchant is desirable and is to be maintained, it should be maintained *in toto*. Where laws are known to vary in different States, there may be much inconvenience but little danger; but where there purports to be uniformity, differences in details are not only inconvenient but dangerous.

I have given my most careful consideration to the statements that have been made to me that the act of last year, in the section which it is now sought to annul, is likely to work hardship or injury to certain classes of business in this Commonwealth, but I believe these fears to be exaggerated. I am unwilling to believe that the merchants of Massachusetts are less able than those of other States to adapt their methods of conducting business to a system which is already in operation in two-

thirds of the States, and which it is probable will soon be of almost universal acceptance.

The simple expedient, which I am informed has been adopted in other States, of requiring that drafts be made payable three days after sight, would appear to be sufficient to obviate much of the inconvenience which may have arisen from the legislation of last year.

If your honorable bodies are of opinion that a longer period should be allowed to enable certain classes of business to prepare for the change incident to the abolition of days of grace on sight drafts, the operation of this section in the act of 1898 might be suspended for a definite period, as, for instance, until July 1st.

To repeal it altogether, and thus to restore in this Commonwealth a custom which seems to be in process of almost universal abandonment, would in my opinion in large measure render nugatory what has already been accomplished in making uniform throughout the several States the law concerning commercial transactions and tend to discourage further efforts in the same direction.

For these reasons I am unable to approve the bill.

ROGER WOLCOTT.

The message was read, and pending the question " Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Excellency the Governor?" the bill, with the message (House, No. 868), was postponed for consideration until Thursday, March 2, to be placed first in the orders of the day, on motion of Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield.

Annual Report.

The sixth annual report of the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 48), received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was referred to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, — annual report.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, a Resolve relative to expenditures by State officials and heads of departments. The resolve having been read, Mr. Carleton moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

State officials, — expenditures.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

Woman
suffrage, —
license
question.

By Mr. Feiker of Northampton, petition of Bertha H. Buck, Alfred G. Cane and others; by Mr. Kavanaugh of Montague, petition of Ella F. Raymond, Lewis Sheldon and others; and by Mr. Twombly of Framingham, petition of officers of the W. C. T. U. of Saxonville, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to enable women to vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Board of
Metropolitan
Park Commis-
sioners, —
parkway from
Mystic River
to Spy Pond.

By Mr. Crosby of Arlington, petitions of Charles F. Coburn and others of Medford, Jere. Colman and others of Arlington, W. F. Earle and others of Cambridge, J. V. Fletcher and others of Belmont, George Howland Cox and another of Cambridge, John M. Mulcahy and others of Arlington and Warren A. Pierce and others of Arlington, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to enable the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to extend the Mystic Valley Parkway or to provide a parkway or boulevard from Mystic River to and around Spy Pond in Arlington.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Street railway
companies, —
enclosed plat-
forms on cars.

By Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, petitions of A. M. Anderson and others, Charles Fawson and others, A. S. Gumbart and others and J. B. True and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to require street railway companies to enclose the platforms of their cars during certain months of the year.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

Foreign corpo-
rations, — com-
plete returns.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition of Charles Young and others; by Mr. Miller of Southwick, petition of John H. Reed and others; by Mr. Severance of Shelburne, petition of L. W. Temple and others; and by Mr. Smith of Dover, petition of Allen F. Smith and others, — severally, in aid of the Bill to require complete returns from foreign companies doing business in this Commonwealth.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Divorce and
separate main-
tenance pro-
ceedings.

By Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, petition of Albert S. Apsey for legislation relative to proceedings for divorce and

separate maintenance. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 464) of Frank E. Gilcrease and others for legislation to authorize the city of Boston to abate a portion of certain assessments for the construction of highways, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs ; and

City of Boston,
— highway
assessments.

Of the committee on Education, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 151) of Charles Fleischer and others, members of the committee on legislative matters of the school committee of the city of Boston, for legislation relative to additions to, and alterations and repairs on, school buildings, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs ;

City of Boston,
— school
buildings.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To enlarge the powers of the Boston Letter Carriers' Mutual Benefit Association (Senate, No. 195) ; and

Boston Letter
Carriers'
Mutual Benefit
Association.

To exempt the city of Brockton from the operation of the law relative to the limit of the municipal debt and the rate of taxation in cities (printed as House, No. 398) ;

City of
Brockton, —
debt limit and
tax rate.

(Severally reported on a petition) ; and

To extend the time for building the Boston, Quincy and Fall River Bicycle Railway (Senate, No. 202) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, House, No. 131) ;

Boston, Quincy
and Fall River
Bicycle Rail-
way.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The House Bill making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the State Board of Insanity (House, No. 346) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

State Board of
Insanity, —
appropriations.

Reports of Committees.

Towns, —
removal of
snow and ice
from sidewalks.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be not suspended on the petition of the selectmen of South Hadley and others for legislation to provide for the removal of snow and ice from sidewalks in towns at public expense. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the House refused to suspend the 12th joint rule, and the petition was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

Criminal
pleadings, —
simplification.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Resolve (introduced on leave) to provide for printing the report of the commissioners appointed to investigate and report upon a plan for the simplification of criminal pleadings. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers of Cambridge, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the resolve (House, No. 867) was referred to the committee on Printing and sent up for concurrence.

Chief of the
District Police,
— salary of
second clerk.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 194) of James W. Hoitt, second clerk in the office of the Chief of the District Police, for an increase of salary. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Whipple, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Mr. Bullock of New Bedford, from the committee on Pay-Roll, who were instructed to make up the pay-roll for travelling expenses of Messrs. John T. Langford of Newton, Edward M. Lombard of Springfield and Frederick C. Mahony of Boston, and who were instructed to investigate the claims of members of the House who consider that the amount allowed them for compensation for travel is insufficient, reported, in part, that the following order, with the accompanying schedule, ought to be adopted: —

Committee on
Pay-Roll, —
travelling ex.

Ordered, That the accompanying schedule, showing that the amount of \$323 remains due to the members of

the House of Representatives for compensation for travel under the provisions of chapter 59 of the Acts of the year 1892, is approved, and that the same be sent to the Secretary of the Commonwealth. penses of certain members of the House.

Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the adoption of the order.

By Mr. Puffer of Springfield, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 349) of Walter S. Hodgdon for the repeal of chapter 419 of the Acts of the year 1897 relative to the watering of streets in cities. [Mr. Foster of Boston, of the House, dissenting.] Cities, — watering of streets.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 692) of John G. Hagberg for legislation relative to the registration of foreign-born voters. Foreign-born voters, — registration.

By Mr. Hawes of Weymouth, from the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 616) of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for legislation to provide that any board having authority to grant locations to the Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas Company in the streets of a city or town may impose reasonable conditions for the protection of the interests of such city or town. Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas Company, — conditions in grants of location.

By Mr. Harriman of Northbridge, from the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the twelfth annual report of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Dentistry (Pub. Doc. No. 38). Board of Registration in Dentistry.

By Mr. Williams of Foxborough, from the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 229) of the city council of the city of Newburyport for legislation relative to the powers and duties of the water commission of said city. City of Newburyport, — water commission.

By Mr. Favor of Gloucester, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 735) of the selectmen of the town of Longmeadow for legislation to authorize said town to take land for the purposes and protection of its water supply. Town of Longmeadow, — protection of water supply.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Puffer of Springfield, from the committee on Cities, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the Cities, — watering of streets.

watering of streets in cities (House, No. 420) ought not to pass.

Cities, — watering of streets.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to appropriations and assessments for expense of watering streets in cities (Senate, No. 70) ought not to pass. [Mr. Foster of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

City of Taunton, — superintendent of streets.

By Mr. Chadwick of Newton, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the superintendent of streets in the city of Taunton (House, No. 376) ought not to pass. [Mr. Donovan, of the Senate, and Mr. Donovan of Taunton, of the House, dissenting.]

Registries of deeds, — date of filing and recording papers.

By Mr. Minton of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (taken from the files of last year) relative to the date of filing or recording certain papers in registries of deeds ought not to pass.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

Buildings, — inspection of.

By Mr. Chadwick of Newton, from the committee on Cities, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the inspection of buildings (House, No. 436) ought to pass.

County of Bristol, — assistance for treasurer.

By Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, from the committee on Counties on the part of the House, that the Bill to authorize the treasurer of the county of Bristol to employ additional clerical assistance (House, No. 460) ought to pass.

Compensation of commissioners appointed to assess damages.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill relative to the compensation of commissioners appointed to assess damages in certain cases (House, No. 856) ought to pass.

Police court of Springfield, — assistant clerk.

By Mr. Mansfield of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Bill to provide an assistant clerk for the police court of Springfield and to establish the salary of said assistant clerk ought to pass. (House, No. 866.)

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Truants, — temporary release of.

By Mr. Johnson of Worcester, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the temporary release of children under sentence for truancy (House, No. 240) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Bullock of New Bedford, from the committee on Public Health, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the examination of applicants for registration in pharmacy (House, No. 379) ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Registration in pharmacy, — examination of applicants.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Sands of Boston, the bills :

Relative to auditors in cities having more than fifty thousand inhabitants (House, No. 835); and

Relative to the reports of city auditors (House, No. 832);

Were severally taken from the table and referred to the next General Court, pending the question, in each case, on ordering the bill to a third reading.

On motions of Mr. Root of Boston, the Bill to provide for the registration of horseshoers (House, No. 199) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Horseshoers, — registration.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the travelling expenses of the special justice of the First District Court of Bristol;

Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for the compensation and expenses of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game;

To provide school registers and other school blanks for the towns and cities of the Commonwealth;

(Which severally originated in the House); and

To authorize the Boston Dental College and the trustees of Tufts College to unite (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of Lemuel Burr;

In favor of the State Normal School at Bridgewater;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Resolves passed.

Relative to compiling, indexing and publishing the records of the Massachusetts troops who served in the Revolutionary War; and

To provide for the purchase of apparatus to be used at polling places in the canvass and count of votes;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the day.

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 810) of Joseph B. Wermers for legislation to provide for the abolition of the board of election commissioners of the city of Boston ;

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 59) of Henry D. Yeaton for revision and amendment of the laws relative to caucuses and elections and the assessment and registration of voters, also laws for the establishment of assessment and election districts and voting precincts in the city of Boston ; and

On the petition (taken from the Senate files of last year) of Henry D. Yeaton for legislation to revise, amend and codify the laws relative to caucuses and elections, relative to the assessment and registration of voters and relative to assessment districts and voting precincts in the city of Boston ; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 708) of Grant M. Palmer and another for legislation to amend the charter of the Boston Marine Society ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To provide for the establishment of a fire department and the appointment of a fire commissioner in the town of Brookline (House, No. 861) ;

To provide additional land and buildings for the truant school of the county of Middlesex at Chelmsford (House, No. 862) ; and

To provide for the purchase of a tract of land in Dedham to be used for the construction thereon of a registry of deeds and a registry of probate (printed as Senate, No. 78) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to establish a sitting of the Superior Court for the county of Bristol in the city of Fall River (House, No. 453) ; and

The Resolve to confirm the acts of Alexander O'D. Taylor as a commissioner for Massachusetts in Rhode Island (House, No. 130) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to summary process for the recovery of land (Senate, No. 192) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Harbor and Land Commissioners (House, No. 95) was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The pending amendments moved by Mr. Trow of Salem were withdrawn, there being no objection.

Mr. Bennett of Saugus moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in lines 24 to 28, inclusive, the words " For expenses in connection with the care and supervision of the province lands in the town of Provincetown, to be expended under the direction of the harbor and land commissioners, a sum not exceeding thirty-five hundred dollars."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the city of Melrose (House, No. 848) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending that it be amended as follows : —

By adding at the end of section 37 the words " except where otherwise provided herein ; "

By dividing section 48, as amended, into two sections, making the first paragraph section 48 and the remainder section 49, and renumbering subsequent sections accordingly ; and

By striking out, in section 50, as printed, lines 18, 19 and 20, and in section 56, as printed, lines 10 and 11, the words " chapter four hundred and seventeen of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-three," and in-

serting in place thereof, in each case, the words "chapter five hundred and forty-eight of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight."

Mr. Hayes of Lowell moved to amend section 48 by striking out the words (previously inserted by amendment): "No vote of the board of aldermen granting or bestowing a franchise or privilege of any description in the public ways or public property, to any person or corporation, for a term of more than sixty days, shall be valid unless the same shall be approved by a vote of the qualified voters of the city, voting at large in their respective voting places at a meeting duly called for that purpose within fourteen days, or at the annual municipal election: *provided, however,* that additional locations for poles and the extending of lines by electric light, telephone or telegraph companies already established may be granted by the board of aldermen, under the rules and regulations as may be provided for by ordinance."

After debate the amendments recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading were adopted. The amendment moved by Mr. Hayes was rejected, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to nomination papers and conventions (House, No. 863) was read a second time.

Mr. Saunders of Boston moved to amend by striking out section 1.

Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston moved to amend section 2 by striking out, in line 11, the word "or," and inserting in place thereof the words "and all such conventions shall be called for a date not."

After debate the amendment moved by Mr. Saunders was adopted.

The amendment moved by Mr. Fitzgerald was adopted, by a vote of 50 to 36, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve to provide for certain improvements at the Danvers Insane Hospital (House, No. 864) was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, on motion of Mr. Carey of Haverhill.

The Bill relative to the taking of depositions (Senate, No. 191) was read a third time and considered.

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Mr. Myers of Cambridge moved to amend section 1 by inserting after the word "Statutes," in line 2, the words "as amended by chapter one hundred and eighty-eight of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-three."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and was sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Dean of Brookline, at twenty minutes before four o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 24, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

House Document Ordered Reprinted.

Cities, — free
employment
offices.

On motion of Mr. Bleiler of Boston, the Bill relative to free employment offices in cities (House, No. 397) was ordered reprinted.

Annual Report.

Board of Arbitration and
Conciliation, —
annual report.

The annual report of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was laid on the table to be printed. (Pub. Doc. No. 40.)

Introduced on Leave.

Street railway
signals.

By Mr. Langford of Newton, a Bill relative to the injury or destruction of street railway signals. The bill having been read, Mr. Langford moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

Cattle, — quar-
antine and in-
spection of;
Board of
Cattle Commis-
sioners, —
abolition of.

By Mr. Severance of Shelburne, petitions of John S. Anderson and others and William W. Davenport and others, — severally, for legislation to repeal the laws relative to the quarantine and inspection of cattle and for the abolition of the State Board of Cattle Commissioners. Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

By Mr. Andrews of Boston, petition of Frederick N. Worthen, Elizabeth Winnett and others; by Mr. Bleiler of Boston, petition of Samuel B. Capen, Ella V. Bryant and others; by Mr. Briggs of Taunton, petition of Frank K. Chase, Margaret A. Walker and others; by Mr. Brooks of Orange, petition of William C. Billings, Evelyn S. Hall and others; by Mr. Cole of Beverly, petition of

George E. Perkins, Mary R. Henry and others ; by Mr. Crosby of Attleborough, petition of James M. Clark, Jr., Grace Wilmarth and others ; by Mr. Davis of Amesbury, petition of William A. Morse, L. Pearl French and others ; by Mr. Estes of Brockton, petition of the Porter Congregational Church of Brockton ; by Mr. Feiker of Northampton, petition of Charles E. Herrick, Sarah A. Strong and others ; by Mr. Folsom of Springfield, petition of George E. Dodge, Mary Ayres and others ; by Mr. Harvell of Rockland, petition of Edgar Jones, Abbie C. Smith and others ; by Mr. Henderson of Rowley, petition of Edward Constant, Emeline C. Brooks and others ; by Mr. Kyle of Plymouth, petition of Geraldine E. Hubbard and others ; by Mr. Learoyd of Danvers, petition of Harry C. Adams, Bertha M. Nevins and others ; by Mr. Lowe of New Bedford, petition of George B. Nind, Grace G. Knapp and others ; by Mr. Marchant of Gloucester, petition of J. H. Humphrey, Annie M. Legg and others ; by Mr. Minton of Boston, petition of Albert H. Plumb, Grace B. Hazlewood and others ; by Mr. Morse of Belchertown, petition of G. J. Newton, Ada E. Ross and others ; by Mr. Porter of Lynn, petition of F. H. Dewey, Dora F. Harvey and others ; by Mr. Puffer of Springfield, petition of H. L. King, Sophia Merrill and others ; by Mr. Robinson of Springfield, petition of Henry Appleton, Helen W. Merrill and others ; by Mr. Seavey of Lynn, petition of Charles H. Till, Marian Pope and others ; by Mr. Severance of Shelburne, petition of William M. Smith, Kate B. Burnham and others ; by Mr. Sprague of Quincy, petition of Preston Gurney, Mary E. Mills and others ; by Mr. Stanley of Newburyport, petition of Charles A. Coburn, Harriet Griffin and others ; by Mr. Swift of Tisbury, petition of William D. Wilkinson, Louise E. Tilton and others ; by Mr. Twombly of Framingham, petition of A. H. Tucker, Florence M. Puddefoot and others ; by Mr. Upson of Easthampton, petition of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Easthampton ; and by Mr. Williams of Foxborough, petition of Nathan C. Nye, Sarah Daniels and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Crouch of Northampton, petition of Maria E. Damon, Chauncey Guilford and others ; by Mr. Feiker of

Woman
suffrage, —
license
question.

Northampton, petition of Josephine L. Gere, John M. Rowell and others; and by Mr. Kavanaugh of Montague, petition of Helen M. Reed, Elijah W. Clary and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to enable women to vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game.

By Mr. Luce of Somerville, petition of Stillman H. Libby and others; by Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, petitions of Clara M. Bryant and others, Charles M. Thayer and others and Samuel H. Spalding and others, — severally, in aid of the Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Nantasket Beach, — public reservation.

By Mr. Clerke of Boston, petition of Elmer H. Capen and others; by Mr. Dooling of Holyoke, petition of Josiah S. Dean and others; by Mr. Dumond of Boston, petitions of George B. Neal and others and C. S. Burke and others; by Mr. King of Boston, petition of George C. Morton and others; by Mr. Langford of Newton, petitions of Charles A. Homer and others and John Preston True and others; by Mr. Saunders of Boston, petitions of Alfred D. Hurd and others and Alpheus H. Hardy and others; by Mr. Sprague of Quincy, petition of John F. Merrill and others; and by Mr. Turner of Malden, petition of John Read and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Board of Police for the City of Boston, — expenditures.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 714) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation relative to the expenditures of the Board of Police for the City of Boston [Messrs. Fitzgerald of Boston and Sullivan of Boston, of the House, dissenting];

Free dispensaries, — applications for aid at.

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 791) of H. Warren White for legislation relative to applications for medical and surgical aid at free dispensaries;

Of the same committee, no further legislation necessary :

On the recommendations and suggestions of the trustees of the Lyman and Industrial Schools (House, No. 35) ;

Lyman and
Industrial
Schools.

On the fourth annual report of the trustees of the Lyman and Industrial Schools (Pub. Doc. No. 18) ;

Id.

On the twenty-first annual report of the trustees of the Danvers Lunatic Hospital (Pub. Doc. No. 20) ;

Danvers Lunatic
Hospital.

On the forty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the State Farm (Pub. Doc. No. 24) ; and

State Farm.

On the second annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients (Pub. Doc. No. 61) ;

Hospital for
Consumptives
and Tubercular
Patients.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Lynn to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of abating a nuisance on Little River (Senate, No. 56) (reported on a petition) ; and

City of Lynn,—
nuisance on
Little River.

To extend the time within which the town of Holden may supply itself with water (Senate, No. 199) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 138) ;

Town of
Holden,—
water supply.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A petition of Joseph G. Hastings and others in aid of the petition for legislation repealing by-laws of corporations that prevent stockholders from casting, at meetings of shareholders, as many votes as they own shares of stock, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Corporations,—
votes of stock-
holders.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Donovan of Taunton, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying resolve, House, No. 520) of the Municipal League of Boston for legislation providing for the appointment of a commission to investigate questions relating to the proper organization of cities.

Cities,—proper
organization of.

By Mr. Sprague of Quincy, from the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with

Elections,—
recounting of
ballots.

accompanying bill, House, No. 399) of O. R. Miller and others for legislation relative to the recounting of ballots.

Special commissioners, — duties.

By Mr. Feiker of Northampton, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 315) of Annie W. Killam for legislation relative to the duties of special commissioners.

State Librarian, — annual report.

By Mr. Harlow of Whitman, from the committee on Libraries, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the librarian of the State Library and nineteenth annual supplement to the general catalogue (Pub. Doc. No. 3).

Town of Danvers, — bounties to certain veterans.

By Mr. Robinson of Springfield, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 500) of Malcolm Sillars and another for legislation to authorize the payment of bounties to certain veterans of the town of Danvers.

Soldiers and sailors, — compensation.

By Mr. Moore of West Stockbridge, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 210) of D. W. Davis for legislation to provide additional compensation for certain sick and wounded soldiers and sailors who served in the war with Spain.

Taxation, — soldiers and sailors.

By Mr. Litchfield of Lunenburg, from the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 50) of Post No. 1, G. A. R., and other posts of the G. A. R. for legislation to lessen the burden of taxation upon certain soldiers and sailors and the wives and widows of such soldiers and sailors.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Elections, — recounting of votes.

By Mr. Sprague of Quincy, from the committee on Election Laws, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the recounting of votes (House, No. 197) ought not to pass.

Fire insurance companies.

By Mr. Tatman of Worcester, from the committee on Insurance, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to fire insurance companies (House, No. 452) ought not to pass.

Fire insurance policies, — total losses.

By Mr. Whall of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to total losses

upon fire insurance policies (House, No. 389) ought not to pass. [Mr. Toomey of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

By Mr. Hagberg of Worcester, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the compensation of janitors of armories (House, No. 643) ought not to pass.

Militia, —
compensation
of janitors of
armories.

By Mr. Litchfield of Lunenburg, from the committee on Taxation, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the exemption of the property of soldiers and sailors and their wives or widows from taxation (House, No. 378) ought not to pass.

Taxation, —
soldiers and
sailors.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. Haywood of Lynn, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) in favor of Albert Tuson (House, No. 297) ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on the rejection of the resolve.

Albert Tuson.

By Mr. Sprague of Quincy, from the committee on Election Laws, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the assessment of poll taxes (House, No. 86) be referred to the next General Court. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on the reference of the bill to the next General Court.

Poll taxes, —
assessment of.

By Mr. Feiker of Northampton, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 237), a Bill relative to special commissioners. (House, No. 869.)

Special com-
missioners.

By Mr. Burrington of Franklin, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 802), a Bill to authorize the Trustees of Donations to the Protestant Episcopal Church to hold additional real and personal estate. (House, No. 871.)

Trustees of
Donations to the
Protestant
Episcopal
Church.

By Mr. Douglass of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to secure the better enforcement of the laws relative to the public health (House, No. 366) ought to pass, in a new draft, with a similar title. (House, No. 870.)

Public health, —
enforcement
of laws.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Auditor of Accounts, — messenger.

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to authorize the employment of a messenger in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth ought to pass. (House, No. 872.)

Metropolitan Park Commissioners, — Revere Beach bath house and reservation.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the joint committee on Ways on Means, that the Bill to enable the Metropolitan Park Commission to restore and enlarge the bath house and provide additional facilities at Revere Beach Reservation (House, No. 196) ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Thomas W. Mack.

By Mr. Marden of Stoneham, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition (taken from the files of last year), a Resolve in favor of Thomas W. Mack. (House, No. 248.)

Alfred Bickford.

By Mr. Campbell of Westfield, from the same committee, on a petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 238), a Resolve in favor of Alfred Bickford.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Taken from the Table.

City of Boston, — care of neglected children; county of Suffolk, — children in the house of reformation.

Ruling by the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Whipple of Brockton, the Bill relative to the care of neglected children in the custody of the trustees for children in the city of Boston and children in the house of reformation for the county of Suffolk (House, No. 852) was taken from the table.

The Speaker ruled that the point of order previously raised by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, that the bill was improperly before the House, for the reason that the petition considered by the committee asked for the passage of a general bill, while the bill reported by the committee applied only to the city of Boston and was therefore special in its character, was not well taken.

Mr. Whipple moved to amend the bill by striking out section 5, which amendment was adopted.

Pending the main question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading, it was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses ; Bills enacted.

Relative to expenditures for the clerical and contingent expenses of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the trustees of the Danvers Insane Hospital to sell a certain lot of land ;

To authorize the American Order of Druids to hold its annual meetings outside the Commonwealth ;

To make the Lord's Day close season for birds and game ; and

Relative to the distribution of the street railway taxes for the year 1898 ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of Samuel Hillman ;

Relative to the instruction of the adult blind ; and

In favor of Henry N. Sheldon and Frederick E. Hurd ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motions of Mr. Donovan of Taunton, the Bill relative to the superintendent of streets in the city of Taunton (House, No. 376) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Cities.

City of Taunton, — superintendent of streets.

On motions of Mr. Crosby of Attleborough, the Bill to empower the county commissioners of Middlesex County to lay out and establish a highway in the city of Newton (House, No. 63) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading.

County of Middlesex, — highway in the city of Newton.

On motions of Mr. Mills of Newburyport, the report of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on

City of Newburyport, — water commission.

the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 229) of the city council of the city of Newburyport for legislation relative to the powers and duties of the water commission of said city, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

Town of Long-
meadow, — pro-
tection of water
supply.

On motions of Mr. Stone of Springfield, the report of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 735) of the selectmen of the town of Longmeadow for legislation to authorize said town to take land for the purposes and protection of its water supply, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 692) of John G. Hagberg for legislation relative to the registration of foreign born voters ;

Of the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 616) of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for legislation to provide that any board having authority to grant locations to the Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas Company in the streets of a city or town may impose reasonable conditions for the protection of the interests of such city or town ; and

Of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the twelfth annual report of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Dentistry (Pub. Doc. No. 38) ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The order relative to the compensation for travel of certain members of the House, recommended by the committee on Pay-Roll, was adopted, and the accompanying schedule was signed by the Speaker.

Bills :

Relative to the watering of streets in cities (House, No. 420) ; and

Relative to appropriations and assessments for expense of watering streets in cities (Senate, No. 70) ;

Were severally rejected, as recommended, in each case, by the committee on Cities, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the date of filing or recording certain papers in registries of deeds, was rejected, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

Relative to the inspection of buildings (House, No. 436) ;

To authorize the treasurer of the county of Bristol to employ additional clerical assistance (House, No. 460) ;

Relative to the compensation of commissioners appointed to assess damages in certain cases (House, No. 856) ;

To provide an assistant clerk for the police court of Springfield and to establish the salary of said assistant clerk (House, No. 866) ;

To enlarge the powers of the Boston Letter Carriers' Mutual Benefit Association (Senate, No. 195) ;

To extend the time for building the Boston, Quincy and Fall River Bicycle Railway (Senate, No. 202) ; and

To exempt the city of Brockton from the operation of the law relative to the limit of the municipal debt and the rate of taxation in cities (printed as House, No. 398) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To provide for the establishment of a fire department and the appointment of a fire commissioner in the town of Brookline (House, No. 861) ;

To provide additional land and buildings for the truant school of the county of Middlesex at Chelmsford (House, No. 862) ; and

To provide for the purchase of land in Dedham to be used for the construction of a registry of deeds and of probate (printed as Senate, No. 78) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 349) of Walter S. Hodgdon for the repeal of chapter 419 of the Acts of the year 1897 relative to the watering of streets in cities, was considered.

Mr. Clerke of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to repeal chapter 419 of the Acts of the year 1897 relative to the watering of streets in cities" (House, No. 349).

Mr. Donahue of Fall River moved that the report and pending amendment be postponed for further consideration until Monday, which motion was lost, by a vote of 57 to 73.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Dudley of Sutton, the House refused to substitute the bill, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, at twenty-nine minutes past two o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, February 27, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by Reverend S. Hopkins Emery of Taunton.

Annual Report.

Part II. of the thirtieth annual report of the Board of Railroad Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 14) relating to street railways, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was referred to the committee on Street Railways and sent up for concurrence.

Board of Railroad Commissioners, — street railways.

Resolutions Presented.

By Mr. Ross of New Bedford, Resolutions in favor of the federal eight-hour law pending before the United States Senate. The resolutions having been read, Mr. Reed of Taunton moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Labor, — federal eight-hour law.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Dewey of Westfield, a Bill to authorize the town of Russell to refund a portion of its indebtedness. The bill having been read, Mr. Dewey moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Town of Russell, — indebtedness.

Petitions.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, petition of Andrew T. Williams, Apphia D. Scudder and others; by Mr. Crouch of Northampton, petition of Clifford H. Lyman, Mary Lee and others; by Mr. Fisher of Amherst, petition of E. W. Gaylord, Nellie F. Loomis and others; by Mr. Haywood of Lynn, petition of Samuel Gale, Lizzie M. Farley and others; by Mr. Horton of Rehoboth, petition of Charles E. Harris, Jr., Mary E. Sweet and others; by Mr. Howard of Fall River, petition of Lot B. Haskins,

Public schools, — physiology and hygiene.

Elizabeth Lawrence and others; by Mr. Learoyd of Danvers, petition of James O. Perry, M. Jennie Straw and others; by Mr. Marchant of Gloucester, petition of Samuel Ambrose, Minnie Southard and others; by Mr. Nickerson of Harwich, petition of William H. Underwood, Lizzie L. Smith and others; by Mr. Porter of Lynn, petition of George E. Freeman, Rebecca W. Roundy and others; by Mr. Shaw of Raynham, petition of Allen M. Horton, Jr., Alice F. Stone and others; by Mr. Sisson of Lynn, petition of Eldridge F. Small, Caroline J. Millett and others; by Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, petition of Charles B. Worster, Jennie C. Galiano and others; and by Mr. Whelan of Weymouth, petition of Frank A. Richards, Harriet B. Kendall and others,—severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

**Fisheries, —
use of weirs.**

By Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, remonstrances of the towns of Eastham, Orleans, Truro and Wellfleet; and by Mr. Nickerson of Harwich, remonstrance of the town of Dennis,—severally, against the passage of any legislation to restrict the use of fish weirs in the waters of the Commonwealth.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Province Laws.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petitions of the treasurer of the Connecticut Valley Historical Society of Springfield and officers of the Bedford Historical Society,—severally, in aid of the Bill to provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Gypsy moth.

By Mr. White of Somerville, petition of William W. Fish and others in aid of the Bill making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth. To the committee on Ways and Means.

**National and
State flags.**

By Mr. Wells of Peabody, petition of Francis H. Appleton, president of the Massachusetts Society Sons of American Revolution, for legislation to prevent the desecration, mutilation or improper use of the flag of the United States or of the State of Massachusetts. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

By Mr. Wells of Peabody, petition of George M. Foster and others for an act of incorporation as the Sutton Home for Aged Women in Peabody. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Sutton Home
for Aged
Women.

By Mr. Fitts of Somerville, petition of the mayor of the city of Somerville for legislation to authorize said city to construct a storm-water drain through a portion of the city of Cambridge and into Millers River. Mr. Mills of Newburyport moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

City of
Somerville, —
storm-water
drain.

By Mr. Mills of Newburyport, petition of the mayor of the city of Newburyport for legislation to establish a water board for said city in place of the present water commissioners. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

City of
Newburyport,
— water board.

The following petitions were severally presented and placed on file : —

By Mr. Crouch of Northampton, petition of Lena Loud, John Pierpont and others ; and by Mr. Feiker of Northampton, petition of Abbie H. Vanderhoof, Sidney E. Bridgman and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to enable women to vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses.

Woman
suffrage, —
license
question.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 799) of Angeline Buxton, George A. Hobbs and others for legislation to authorize women to vote for presidential electors ; and

Woman
suffrage, —
presidential
electors.

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary :

On the third annual report of the Medfield Insane Asylum (Pub. Doc. No. 59) ; and

Medfield Insane
Asylum.

On the first report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics (Pub. Doc. No. 62) ;

Massachusetts
Hospital for
Epileptics.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Charles River,
— bridge be-
tween Boston
and Cambridge.

To authorize the Cambridge Bridge Commission, with the consent of the United States government, to construct without a draw the bridge to be built between the cities of Boston and Cambridge (Senate, No. 42) (reported on a petition); and

City of Fitch-
burg, — street
commissioners.

Relative to the election of street commissioners in the city of Fitchburg (Senate, No. 201) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, House, No. 401);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Mother of
James T.
Mahony, Jr.

The House Resolve in favor of the mother of James T. Mahony, Jr. (House, No. 370), came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

Petitions of Eldridge F. Small and others, Emanuel C. Charlton and others, Charles A. Coburn and others, George K. Knowlton and others, Henry H. McFadyen and others, the Porter Congregational Church of Brockton, William E. Searles and others, William Alden Morse and others, Oscar T. Brooks and others, George E. Voorhees and others, J. Allen Crosby and others, Leander Terry and others, D. C. Bedell and others. L. A. Fowler and others, B. F. Hurlbut and others and W. J. Sladen and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Nantasket
Beach, — public
reservation.

Petitions of Mrs. John D. Long and others, Frederic W. Burr and others, Charles H. Porter, Jr., and others, Herbert L. Pratt and others, L. A. Sanborn and others, Starkes Whiton and others, Georgia L. Cushing and others, Mrs. C. W. Dunbar and others, John W. Seabury and others and Mary I. Stetson and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Notice was received of the rejection by the Senate of the following bills, severally introduced on leave : —

Bill relative to offensive trades (Senate, No. 105) ;

Offensive trades.

Bill relative to the granting of leave of absence to police officers in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 142) ; and

City of Boston, — police officers.

Bill relative to tenements and lodging-houses in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 143).

City of Boston, — tenements and lodging-houses.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the injury or destruction of street railway signals. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill (House, No. 873) was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Street railway signals.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of Erskine Warden for legislation to authorize the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded to exchange a parcel of land for another of equal value. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Whipple, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 874) was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded, — exchange of land.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the erection and alteration of buildings in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 193). Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Saunders, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the bill was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Cities.

City of Boston, — buildings.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be not suspended on the petition of J. Mona Lesser for legislation to provide for the filing of notices of the intended foreclosure of certain mortgages. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the House refused to sus-

Mortgages, — notices of foreclosure.

pend the 12th joint rule, and the petition was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

Committee on Labor, — investigation of labor troubles in the city of Marlborough.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be not suspended on the petition of Phillip J. Byrne and others asking for an investigation of the labor difficulties in the city of Marlborough by the committee on Labor. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the House refused to suspend the 12th joint rule, and the petition was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

Martha's Vineyard Street Railway Company.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the 9th joint rule be not suspended on the petition of John A. Duggan and others for legislation to extend the time within which the Martha's Vineyard Street Railway Company shall locate and operate its railway. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Saunders, the House refused to suspend the 9th joint rule, and the petition was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

Woman suffrage, — license question.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 402) of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Massachusetts and others for legislation to enable women to vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses. [Mr. Innes, of the Senate, and Messrs. Newton of Everett and Sprague of Quincy, of the House, dissenting.]

Woman suffrage, — municipal elections.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 46) of B. G. Chapman and others that women may vote in municipal elections. [Mr. Innes, of the Senate, and Messrs. Newton of Everett and Sprague of Quincy, of the House, dissenting.]

Elections, — filling of vacancies.

By Mr. Howard of Fall River, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 480) of Albert B. Coats for legislation relative to filling vacancies in case of ineligibility, death or withdrawal of candidates.

Coachmen's Benevolent Association, — funeral benefits.

By Mr. Boylston of Princeton, from the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioner, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 696) of Patrick J. Lane for legislation authorizing

the Coachmen's Benevolent Association to pay a funeral benefit upon the death of the wife of a member.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Dooling of Holyoke, from the committee on Election Laws, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to amend an act relative to the conduct of caucuses (House, No. 426) ought not to pass.

Caucuses, —
conduct of.

By Mr. Luce of Somerville, from the committee on Taxation, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to exempt newspaper plants from taxation (House, No. 445) ought not to pass.

Taxation, —
newspaper
plants.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 358), a Bill relative to the preparation of voting lists. (House, No. 875.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

Voting lists, —
preparation of.

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill relative to the boundary line between the towns of Gay Head and Chilmark (Senate, No. 140) ought to pass.

Towns of Gay
Head and
Chilmark, —
boundary line.

By Mr. Dooling of Holyoke, from the committee on Election Laws, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to amend an act relative to the counting of ballots at a caucus (House, No. 427) ought to pass.

Caucuses, —
counting of
ballots.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Horton of Rehoboth, from the committee on Towns, that the Bill (recommitted) to authorize the town of Arlington to refund a portion of its indebtedness (House, No. 181) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on ordering the bill to a third reading.

Town of
Arlington, —
indebtedness.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the committee on Prisons, on the twenty-eighth annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons (Pub. Doc. No. 13), in part, a Bill relative to the appointment of assistant watchmen at the State Prison.

State Prison, —
assistant
watchmen.

State House, —
salary of assist-
ant engineer.

By Mr. Wells of Peabody, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the assistant engineer at the State House. (House, No. 725.)

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Taken from the Table.

Committee on
Labor, — inves-
tigation of labor
difficulties in the
city of Marl-
borough.

On motion of Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, the order instructing the committee on Labor to proceed immediately to the city of Marlborough and investigate the present labor difficulties in said city, was taken from the table and was rejected.

City of New-
buryport,
— alderman-at-
large.

On motion of Mr. Donovan of Taunton, the report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 232) of the mayor of the city of Newburyport for legislation to authorize the election of an alderman-at-large in said city, was taken from the table and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Motion to Reconsider.

Cities, —
watering of
streets.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, rejected, as recommended by the committee on Cities, the Bill relative to the watering of streets in cities (House, No. 420). On further motion of the same gentleman, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the State Board of Insanity (which originated in the House) ; and

Relative to summary process for the recovery of land (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

Special commis-
sioners, —
duties of.

On motions of Mr. Stone of Springfield, the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 315) of Annie W. Killam for legislation relative to the duties of

special commissioners, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

On motions of Mr. Chapple of Salem, the Bill relative to the exemption of the property of soldiers and sailors and their wives or widows from taxation (House, No. 378) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Taxation.

Taxation, —
soldiers and
sailors.

On motion of Mr. Luce of Somerville, the Bill to enlarge the powers of the Boston Letter Carriers' Mutual Benefit Association (Senate, No. 195) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was laid on the table, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Boston Letter
Carriers'
Mutual Benefit
Association.

On motion of Mr. Ames of Lowell, the Bill to extend the time for building the Boston, Quincy and Fall River Bicycle Railway (Senate, No. 202) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Boston, Quincy
and Fall River
Bicycle Rail-
way.

On motions of Mr. Frost of Lawrence, the Bill relative to the recounting of votes (House, No. 197) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Thursday next, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Election Laws.

Elections, —
recounting of
votes.

On motions of Mr. Toomey of Boston, the Bill relative to total losses upon fire insurance policies (House, No. 389) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Thursday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Insurance.

Fire insurance
policies, —
total losses.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (taken from the files of last

Orders of the
day.

year, with accompanying resolve, House, No. 520) of the Municipal League of Boston for legislation providing for the appointment of a commission to investigate questions relating to the proper organization of cities ;

Of the committee on Libraries, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the librarian of the State Library and nineteenth annual supplement to the general catalogue (Pub. Doc. No. 3) ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 210) of D. W. Davis for legislation to provide additional compensation for certain sick and wounded soldiers and sailors who served in the war with Spain ; and

On the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 500) of Malcolm Sillars and another for legislation to authorize the payment of bounties to certain veterans of the town of Danvers ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate No. 50) of Post No. 1, G. A. R., and other posts of the G. A. R. for legislation to lessen the burden of taxation upon certain soldiers and sailors and the wives and widows of such soldiers and sailors ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 714) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation relative to the expenditures of the Board of Police for the City of Boston ; and

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary :

On the recommendations and suggestions of the trustees of the Lyman and Industrial Schools (House, No. 35) ;

On the fourth annual report of the trustees of the Lyman and Industrial Schools (Pub. Doc. No. 18) ;

On the twenty-first annual report of the trustees of the Danvers Lunatic Hospital (Pub. Doc. No. 20) ;

On the forty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the State Farm (Pub. Doc. No. 24) ; and

On the second annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients (Pub. Doc. No. 61) ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to fire insurance companies (House, No. 452) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Insurance, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the compensation of janitors of armories (House, No. 643) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Military Affairs, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Resolve in favor of Albert Tuson (House, No. 297) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Probate and Insolvency, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the assessment of poll taxes (House, No. 86) was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Election Laws, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

To enable the Metropolitan Park Commission to restore and enlarge the bath house and provide additional facilities at Revere Beach Reservation (House, No. 196) ;

Relative to special commissioners (House, No. 869) ;

To provide for the better enforcement of the laws relative to the public health (House, No. 870) ;

To authorize the Trustees of Donations to the Protestant Episcopal Church to hold additional real and personal estate (House, No. 871) ;

To authorize the employment of a messenger in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth (House, No. 872) ;

To authorize the city of Lynn to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of abating a nuisance on Little River (Senate, No. 56) ; and

To extend the time within which the town of Holden may supply itself with water (Senate, No. 199) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relative to the inspection of buildings (House, No. 436) ;

To authorize the treasurer of the county of Bristol to employ additional clerical assistance (House, No. 460) ;

Relative to the compensation of commissioners appointed to assess damages in certain cases (House, No. 856) ; and

To provide an assistant clerk for the police court of Springfield and to establish the salary of said assistant clerk (House, No. 866) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to exempt the city of Brockton from the operation of the law relative to the limit of the municipal debt and the rate of taxation in cities (printed as House, No. 398) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 399) of O. R. Miller and others for legislation relative to the recounting of ballots, was considered.

Mr. Judd of Holyoke moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill amending chapter 548 of the Acts of the year 1898 relative to the recounting of votes " (House, No. 399).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Hawes of Weymouth, the House refused to substitute the bill, by a vote of 28 to 86, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 791) of H. Warren White for legislation relative to applications for medical and surgical aid at free dispensaries, was recommitted, on motion of Mr. Hopewell of Fall River, and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Francis of New Bedford, at twenty minutes before four o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 28, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports.

Part II. of the twenty-third annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks (Pub. Doc. No. 8) relating to co-operative banks, collateral loan companies, mortgage loan and investment companies, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks, — annual report.

A report of the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners, under chapter 4 of the Resolves of the year 1898, upon a high-level gravity sewer for the relief of the Charles and Neponset River valleys, was received and was referred to the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Drainage, sitting jointly.

Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners, — high-level gravity sewer for Charles and Neponset River valleys.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Twomey of Boston, a Bill to regulate the employment of labor. The bill having been read, Mr. Twomey moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Labor, — employment of.

Petitions.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally presented and referred: —

By Mr. Andrews of Nantucket, petition of James Easton, 2d, and others in aid of the petition for legislation to limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston. To the committee on Cities.

City of Boston, — height of buildings on Beacon Hill.

By Mr. Smith of Dover, remonstrance of Silas L. Morse, Emma Savage and others against the passage of the Bill relative to studies in the public schools, and petition of the same in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Public schools, — studies; physiology and hygiene.

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

By Mr. Favor of Gloucester, petition of Allen S. Charlton, Gornelia M. Zeman and others; by Mr. Hawes of Weymouth, petition of Howard M. Dow, Martha A. Pratt and others; by Mr. Haywood of Lynn, petition of Edwin H. Brock, C. Lucille Bancroft and others; by Mr. Horton of Rehoboth, petition of George M. Sweet, Ella R. Brown and others; by Mr. Odlin of Andover, petition of William E. Sanford, Evelyn Batchelder and others; by Mr. Wallace of Clinton, petition of Charles L. French, Anna J. Worcester and others; and by Mr. Wells of Peabody, petition of Eben McKenzie, Mary A. Elliot and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Id.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, remonstrance of the school board of the city of Salem against granting the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Board of commissioners on
inland fisheries
and game.

By Mr. Burrington of Franklin, petitions of W. A. Moore and others and Adelbert D. Thayer and others; by Mr. Crosby of Arlington, petition of William Oscar Perkins and others; and by Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, petition of Philander Bates and others, — severally, in aid of the Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Acushnet River,
— cost of relocating and
widening the
old bridge
between New
Bedford and
Fairhaven.

By Mr. Rounseville of Rochester, petition of the county commissioners of the county of Plymouth in aid of the petition for legislation to provide that the cost of relocating and widening the old bridge over the Acushnet River between the city of New Bedford and the town of Fairhaven shall not be borne by any towns or cities outside of the county of Bristol. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Province Laws.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition of Solomon Lincoln and other members of the Suffolk bar; and by Mr. Stone of Springfield, petition of the president of the Dorchester Historical Society, — severally, in aid of the Bill to provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Stewart of Boston, petitions of A. J. Boe and others, Edward L. Atkinson and others, Thomasine E. Perry and others, W. H. Whitcomb and others and Charles Wort and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide local option by districts in the city of Boston.

City of Boston,
— local option
by districts.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Odlin of Andover, petition of William H. Jowett and others in aid of the petition for legislation relative to the taxation of certain property of educational institutions.

Taxation, —
educational in-
stitutions.

By Mr. Bushnell of Sheffield, petition of E. D. Shears and others in aid of the Bill to require complete returns from foreign companies doing business in this Commonwealth.

Foreign corpo-
rations, — com-
plete returns.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Wood of Woburn, petition of the city council of the city of Woburn in aid of the Bill making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth. To the committee on Ways and Means.

Gypsy moth.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill relative to the trustees of the Pratt Free School (Senate, No. 155) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Pratt Free
School.

Petitions of W. G. Puddefoot and others, F. J. Kingsley and others, S. L. Rhino and others, Ephraim Smith and others, William D. Wilkinson and others, D. A. Hudson and others, Frank N. Merriam and others, William M. Smith and others, George W. Doty and others, Frank Heady and others, Joseph W. Strous and others, William Berry and others, Frank E. Farnham and others, and J. A. Cleveland and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education.

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

A petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 211) of Charles N. Prouty, president of the American Ballot Company, for legislation legalizing the experimental use

Elections, —
experimental
use of voting
machines.

of voting machines, referred by the Senate to the committee on Election Laws, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Criminal
pleadings, —
simplification.

Notice was received that the Resolve (introduced on leave) to provide for printing the report of the commissioners appointed to investigate and report upon a plan for the simplification of criminal pleadings (House, No. 867) had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the Senate having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of said rule.

Reports of Committees.

State officials,
— expenditures.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Resolve (introduced on leave) relative to expenditures by State officials and heads of departments. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the resolve (House, No. 878) was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Sidewalks, —
discharge of
water from
buildings.

By Mr. Spooner of Chelsea, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 516) of John F. Mahoney and others for legislation to authorize cities and towns to regulate the discharge of water from buildings so as to protect sidewalks.

Constitutional
amendment, —
qualifications
of voters.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 466) of Frances H. Drake, Elmer E. Watson and others for an amendment to the Constitution striking out the word "male" from the qualifications of voters; and on the petition (with accompanying resolve, Senate, No. 170) of Esther F. Boland and others for a constitutional amendment striking out the word "male" from the qualifications of voters. [Messrs. Johnson of Worcester and Haywood of Lynn, of the House, dissenting.]

Supreme Judi-
cial Court, —
review of
decisions.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 192) of James W. Stillman for legislation to prohibit the justices of the Supreme

Judicial Court from sitting in review of decisions previously rendered by themselves.

By Mr. Davenport of Greenfield, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 185) of William H. Coleman for legislation requiring business brokers to be licensed.

Business
brokers, —
licenses.

By Mr. Marden of Stoneham, from the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 458) of George H. Watson that chapters 450 and 476 of the Acts of the year 1894 be so amended as to place all unincorporated voluntary associations and companies engaged in the gas and electric light business under the supervision and jurisdiction of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.

Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Commis-
sioners, — gas
and electric
light compa-
nies.

By Mr. McLoughlin of Worcester, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 351) of the Massachusetts Hotel Association for legislation relative to the liability of innholders for losses sustained by guests.

Innholders, —
liability of,
for losses of
guests.

By Mr. Stalker of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 593) of Winfield Temple and others for legislation relative to season tickets issued by railroad companies.

Railroad
companies, —
season tickets.

By Mr. Dewey of Westfield, from the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 734) of Nathaniel W. Ladd and others for legislation relative to the use of water meters.

Water meters.

By Mr. Twombly of Framingham, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 283) of Walter L. Sears for legislation to authorize cities and towns to furnish water free of charge for domestic or public purposes.

Water, — free,
for domestic
and public
purposes.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Foster of Boston, from the committee on Cities, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to certain departments of the city of Boston (House, No. 377) be referred to the next General Court. Read and placed in

City of Boston,
— departments.

the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the reference of the bill to the next General Court.

Board of Railroad Commissioners, — uniform passenger rate on railroads.

By Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, from the committee on Railroads, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to establish a uniform railroad fare of two cents a mile (House, No. 548) ought to pass, in the form of a resolve, with the title “Resolve directing the Board of Railroad Commissioners to investigate and report upon the advisability of establishing a uniform passenger rate of two cents a mile upon the railroads of the Commonwealth.” (House, No. 877.)

Town of Leominster, — water for the inhabitants of Lunenburg.

By Mr. Langford of Newton, from the committee on Water Supply, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize the town of Leominster to supply the inhabitants of the town of Lunenburg with water (House, No. 242) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 876.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

First District Court of Southern Worcester, — salary of clerk.

By Mr. Francis of New Bedford, from the committee on Counties on the part of the House, that the Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the First District Court of Southern Worcester (House, No. 506) ought to pass.

Towns, — town records.

By Mr. Litchfield of Middleborough, from the committee on Towns, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize towns to print and publish their town records (House, No. 456) ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Jurors, — travelling expenses.

By Mr. Wells of Peabody, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 136), a Bill relative to the travelling expenses of jurors. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Counties on the part of the House.

State Library.

By Mr. Flanagan of Boston, from the committee on Libraries, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the care of the State Library (House, No. 41) ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

Relative to the metropolitan sewerage loans sinking fund; and

Making an appropriation for operating the north metropolitan system of sewerage ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motions of Mr. Carey of Haverhill, the Resolve to provide for certain improvements at the Danvers Insane Hospital (House, No. 864) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading.

Danvers Insane Hospital.

On motion of Mr. Ross of Boston, the Bill to authorize the Cambridge Bridge Commission, with the consent of the United States Government, to construct without a draw the bridge to be built between the cities of Boston and Cambridge (Senate, No. 42) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and considered.

Charles River, — bridge between Boston and Cambridge.

Mr. Ross moved to amend by adding at the end of section 1 the words "Any person or persons sustaining damages for injury to his or their property, by reason of the construction of said bridge without a draw, may have such damages determined in the manner provided by section twelve of said chapter four hundred and sixty-seven, and any damages so determined shall be paid as a part of the cost of construction of the bridge."

Pending the amendment and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman.

On motions of Mr. Saunders of Boston, the reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw :

On the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 402) of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Massachusetts and others for legislation to enable women to vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses ; and

Woman suffrage, — license question.

On the petitions (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 46) of B. G. Chapman and others that women may vote in municipal elections ;

Woman suffrage, — municipal elections.

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed second and third in the orders of the day, respectively.

Orders of the Day.

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Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 480) of Albert B. Coats for legislation relative to filling vacancies in case of ineligibility, death or withdrawal of candidates ; and

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioner, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 696) of Patrick J. Lane for legislation authorizing the Coachmen's Benevolent Association to pay a funeral benefit upon the death of the wife of a member.

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 799) of Angeline Buxton, George A. Hobbs and others for legislation to authorize women to vote for presidential electors ; and

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary :

On the third annual report of the Medfield Insane Asylum (Pub. Doc. No. 59) ; and

On the first report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics (Pub. Doc. No. 62) ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill to amend an act relative to the conduct of caucuses (House, No. 426) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Election Laws, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to exempt newspaper plants from taxation (House, No. 445) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Taxation, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

To amend an act relative to the counting of ballots at a caucus (House, No. 427) ;

Relative to the preparation of voting lists (House, No. 875) ;

Relative to the boundary line between the towns of Gay Head and Chilmark (Senate, No. 140) ; and

Relative to the election of street commissioners in the city of Fitchburg (Senate, No. 201) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To empower the county commissioners of Middlesex County to lay out and establish a highway in the city of Newton (House, No. 63) ; and

To authorize the town of Arlington to refund a portion of its indebtedness (House, No. 181) ;

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To enable the Metropolitan Park Commission to restore and enlarge the bath house and to provide additional facilities at Revere Beach Reservation (House, No. 196) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Relative to special commissioners (House, No. 869) ;

To provide for the better enforcement of the laws relative to the public health (House, No. 870) ;

To authorize the Trustees of Donations to the Protestant Episcopal Church to hold additional real and personal estate (House, No. 871) ; and

To authorize the employment of a messenger in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth (House, No. 872) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Lynn to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of abating a nuisance on Little River (Senate, No. 56) ; and

To extend the time within which the town of Holden may supply itself with water (Senate, No. 199) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the registration of horseshoers (House, No. 199) was considered, and after debate was

rejected, as recommended by the committee on Mercantile Affairs, by a vote of 103 to 31, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the superintendent of streets in the city of Taunton (House, No. 376) was considered, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Cities.

After debate the yeas and nays were ordered, on the question on the rejection of the bill, at the request of Mr. Donovan of Taunton, and the roll being called the bill was rejected, as recommended by the committee, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The vote was 102 yeas to 74 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.
Ames, Butler
Andrews, David B.
Apsey, Albert S.
Bartlett, Edwin
Battles, David W.
Bleiler, John
Briggs, Clarence A.
Brigham, William M.
Campbell, Andrew
Carleton, George H.
Chadwick, N. Henry
Chase, Henry L.
Cluer, Arthur H.
Cole, Samuel
Conwell, Robert E.
Coolidge, Daniel S.
Corey, Charles V.
Crosby, Alfred R.
Crosby, J. Howell
Dalton, J. Frank
Dean, Benjamin C.
Dean, George Z.
Drake, Frederic P.
Dudley, George J.
Eddy, Curtis
Estes, Eugene B.
Farwell, Frederick W.
Feiker, William H.
Fisher, George E.
Fitts, Frank E.
Folsom, Albert T.

Messrs. Gilpatric, Fred C.
Goulding, Albert M.
Grimes, James W.
Harlow, Franklin P.
Harvell, Elisha T.
Harvie, Robert B.
Harwood, Herbert J.
Haywood, Charles E.
Henderson, Francis D.
Howland, Charles W.
Howland, Willard
Hunt, James
Huntress, Franklin E.
Judd, William E.
King, Randolph V.
Kyle, William S.
Learoyd, Addison P.
Leland, Francis
Libby, John F.
Litchfield, James A.
Lockhart, Alexander
Lowe, John H.
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
Mead, Edward C.
Miller, Calvin S.
Miller, Charles H.
Morrison, Andrew H.
Morse, Merrick A.
Myers, James J.
Neal, David
Newton, H. Huestis
Newton, Phinehas S.

Messrs. Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.	Messrs. Smith, Allen F.
Paton, Alexander S.	Smith, Charles G.
Persons, Charles H.	Spooner, Wallace
Pike, William T.	Sprague, Eugene H.
Porter, Thomas F.	Stalker, Hugh L.
Powers, John A.	Stanley, Benjamin F.
Puffer, Herbert C.	Stewart, Joseph I.
Ramsdell, Charles H.	Stone, Silas A.
Reed, Silas D.	Stone, Willmore B.
Robinson, Lewis D.	Tolman, William
Ross, Leonard W.	Turner, Henry E.
Rounseville, Albert	Varney, George E.
Sands, Edward P.	Wallace, S. Ives
Saunders, Charles R.	Wentworth, Edward E.
Schofield, William	Weston, Walter S.
Selfridge, George S.	Wheeler, William D.
Shaw, Nathan W.	White, Horace C.
Simmons, Arthur A.	Williams, George F.
Skinner, Henry R.	Wood, Alva S.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ainsworth, Wilfred	Messrs. Grant, Oliver S.
Balcom, George	Green, Thomas H.
Blood, Charles H.	Hagberg, John G.
Bridgeo, William	Hancock, Portus B.
Bugbee, Nelson A.	Harriman, Charles H.
Carey, James F.	Hooper, Franklin K.
Conroy, Thomas A.	Hopewell, William
Cullinane, Richard	Howard, Robert
Currier, Guy W.	Jones, Michael B.
Daly, William	Kane, Daniel J.
Davenport, William A.	Kells, William, Jr.
Davis, William R.	Keyou, Nicholas B.
Dean, Charles A.	King, Charles F.
Dillon, Thomas J.	Lanergan, John P.
Donahue, Thomas	Lomasney, Martin M.
Donovan, Edward J.	Mackey, Thomas
Donovan, Eugene E.	Mahoney, David A.
Donovan, James H.	Mahony, Frederick C.
Dooling, Thomas J.	Marchesseault, Eugene D.
Douglass, John J.	McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d	McIsaac, Daniel V.
Dyer, George N.	McLoughlin, William I.
Fitzgerald, William T. A.	Mellen, James H.
Flanagan, John J.	Miller, William J.
Foster, Frank A.	Mills, Charles P.
Frost, Archie N.	Minihan, Cornelius
Gaddis, Michael E.	Minton, John M.
Gartland, John J., Jr.	Montgomery, James A.

Messrs. Moore, James S.	Messrs. Sparks, John T.
Murphy, Mortimer D. A.	Sullivan, Michael J.
Queeney, James H.	Sullivan, Timothy F.
Quigley, William J.	Toland, John I.
Ray, Albert H.	Toomey, John J.
Root, Albert B.	Twombly, Horatio F.
Salter, William R.	Twomey, Edmund J.
Scates, Louis M.	Upson, Charles H.
Sheppard, Eben W.	Whelan, John B.

102 yeas ; 74 nays.

The Bill relative to nomination papers and conventions (House, No. 863) was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending amendments in section 2, as printed, by striking out, in line 12, the words "nomination papers," and inserting in place thereof the words "certificates of nomination;" and by striking out all after the word "forty-five," in line 13, and inserting in place thereof the word "hereof."

The amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Coolidge of Cambridge, at twenty-six minutes before four o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 1, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and stated that Mr. Bennett of Saugus had been appointed to preside. Mr. Bennett accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Annual Report.

The sixth annual report of the Massachusetts Highway Commission (Pub. Doc. No. 54), received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges and sent up for concurrence.

Massachusetts
Highway Com-
mission, —
annual report.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, a Resolve in favor of the widow of Joseph Conneton. The resolve having been read, Mr. McCarthy moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Widow of
Joseph Conne-
ton.

Petitions.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally presented and referred: —

By Mr. Learoyd of Danvers, petition of Ellen L. Perkins and others in aid of the petition for legislation to limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston. To the committee on Cities.

City of Boston,
— height of
buildings on
Beacon Hill.

By Mr. Balcom of Marlborough, petition of Clarence W. Rouse, Charlotte M. Dunklee and others; by Mr. Chadwick of Newton, petition of Charles S. Morris and others; by Mr. Cluer of Lowell, petition of Ephraim Brown, Martha S. Chase and others; by Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, petition of Lewis B. Pinckney, Emily A. Smith and others; by Mr. Coolidge of Cambridge, petition of George Alcott Phinney, Ethel Emery and others; by Mr. Crosby of Attleborough, petition of John J. Thayer, Ada R. McLane and others; by Mr. Crouch of Northampton, petition of George H. Buck, Louise R.

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

Page and others; by Mr. Feiker of Northampton, petition of Alvah A. Shumway, Mary Edith Gould and others; by Mr. Fitts of Somerville, petition of George M. Spalding, Lyle N. Clark and others; by Mr. Grimes of Reading, petition of William H. Mears, Clara Gowing and others; by Mr. Hayes of Lowell, petition of P. Hildreth Parker, Mary P. Wilson and others; by Mr. Haywood of Lynn, petition of Filmore McFarland, Louisa Collins and others; by Mr. Hooper of Manchester, petition of Joseph P. Lovering, Lucretia M. Weston and others; by Mr. Horton of Rehoboth, petition of Simon J. Johnson, Martha Bird Bliss and others; by Mr. Langford of Newton, petition of Samuel P. Darling, Julia B. Earle and others; by Mr. Mead of Everett, petition of George E. Boynton, Ida L. Rockwood and others; by Mr. Morse of Belchertown, petition of Henry C. Davis, Rosabelle M. Olds and others; by Mr. Newton of Everett, petition of Francis Batchelder, Clara A. Hogan and others; by Mr. Odlin of Andover, petition of William Berry, Phebe W. Tracy and others; by Mr. Shaw of Raynham, petition of John C. Collins, Ann K. Drake and others; by Mr. Sparks of Dracut, petition of Arthur P. McDonald, Addie Carter and others; by Mr. Wells of Peabody, petition of George A. Hall, Sarah M. Moore and others; by Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, petition of Louri G. Sirovich, Arabella C. Pope and others; by Mr. Whall of Boston, petition of J. Franklin Briggs, Florence E. Cutler and others; by Mr. White of Somerville, petition of Thomas Edward Patterton, Marietta H. Snow and others; and by Mr. Wood of Woburn, petition of Hubbard Copeland, Harriet N. Delano and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Public schools,
— studies;
physiology and
hygiene.

By Mr. Crosby of Barnstable, remonstrance of John E. Blake and others; by Mr. Heath of Northborough, remonstrance of Lovell A. Lesure and others; by Mr. Minton of Boston, remonstrance of Hugh Hamilton, Lucy T. Cole and others; by Mr. Morse of Belchertown, remonstrance of A. B. Bassett and others; by Mr. Nickerson of Harwich, remonstrance of S. F. Johnson and others; by Mr. Sullivan of Natick, remonstrance of Joseph E. DeWitt, Mary A. Hayward and others; and by Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, remonstrance of James Biram, Lizzie A. R. Knight and others, — severally, against the

passage of the Bill relative to studies in the public schools, and petitions of the same in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Crosby of Barnstable, petition of Howard N. Parker and others; by Mr. Fitts of Somerville, petition of Arthur E. Ham and others; and by Mr. Hunt of Worcester, petition of A. B. F. Kinney and others, — severally, in aid of the Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game.

Board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Whall of Boston, petition of John J. May and others in aid of the petition for legislation to provide for local option by districts in the city of Boston. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

City of Boston, — local option by districts.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 24) of Charles F. Sargent and others for legislation repealing, under certain conditions, the law limiting the number of licenses to be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors [Mr. Feneno, of the Senate, and Messrs. Odlin of Andover and Gaddis of Boston, of the House, dissenting]; and

Intoxicating liquors, — number of licenses.

Of the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 118) of John E. Baldwin for legislation providing for better ventilation of sleeping rooms in which gas is burned;

Gas, — ventilation of sleeping-rooms.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to mortgages of personal property (House, No. 538), and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Personal property, — mortgages.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the

Personal property, — contracts for

conditional
sale of.

Bill (introduced on leave) relative to contracts for the conditional sale of personal property (House, No. 756), and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Severally read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

City of Boston,
— nomination
of mayor.

By Mr. James H. Donovan of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 183) of Richard L. Gay for legislation to authorize the nomination of the mayor of the city of Boston by direct vote in caucuses.

Conventions, —
nomination of
candidates.

By Mr. Sprague of Quincy, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 479) of Herbert M. Small for legislation relative to nominations of candidates by conventions.

Insurance
Commissioner,
— fraternal
beneficiary
organizations.

By Mr. Toomey of Boston, from the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 483) of Julius M. Swain and another for legislation to authorize the Insurance Commissioner to examine fraternal beneficiary organizations.

City of Lynn, —
legacy.

By Mr. Douglass of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 278) of Charles E. Haywood for legislation to enable the city of Lynn to receive a certain legacy.

County of
Suffolk, —
electric gongs
at private
crossings over
railroads.

By Mr. Haskins of Rockport, from the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 591) of W. F. Adams for legislation to provide for electric gongs at private ways or crossings over all railroads in Suffolk County. [Mr. Reed of Taunton, of the House, dissenting.]

Town of
Revere, — in-
debtedness for
highway con-
struction.

By Mr. Marchesseault of Spencer, from the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 190) of the selectmen of the town of Revere for legislation to authorize said town to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of constructing highways.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of Boston,
— iron poles for
wires.

By Mr. Ainsworth of Fall River, from the committee on Cities, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to require poles for wires in the city of Boston to be made of iron (House, No. 562) ought not to pass.

By Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, from the committee on Insurance, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to industrial or prudential insurance (House, No. 287) ought not to pass. Industrial and prudential insurance.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to divorce (House, No. 244) ought not to pass. Divorce.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to increase the ad damnum in writs and process that may be served by constables (House, No. 542) ought not to pass. [Mr. McLoughlin of Worcester, of the House, dissenting.] Constables, — ad damnum in writs and process.

By Mr. Bullock of New Bedford, from the committee on Public Health, that the Bill (taken from the files of last year) relative to laundries (House, No. 110) ought not to pass. Laundries.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to laundries and persons employed therein (House, No. 222) ought not to pass. Id.

By Mr. Sullivan of Natick, from the committee on Taxation, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the collection of taxes (House, No. 166) ought not to pass. Taxes, — collection of.

By Mr. Prindle of Williamstown, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to interest on overdue taxes (House, No. 653) ought not to pass. Overdue taxes, — rate of interest.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the rate of interest on overdue taxes (House, No. 761) ought not to pass. Id.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. Smith of Waltham, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the appointment of medical experts as witnesses in the Superior Court (House, No. 367) be referred to the next General Court. Superior Court, — medical experts as witnesses.

By Mr. Mead of Everett, from the committee on Railroads, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the employment of telegraph operators by railroad companies (House, No. 550) be referred to the next General Court. Railroad companies, — employment of telegraph operators.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the reference of the bill to the next General Court.

County commissioners, — protection of county buildings and appointment of county police.

By Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, from the committee on Counties, on a petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 45), a Bill to provide for the better protection of county buildings and for the appointment of county police by county commissioners. (House, No. 879.)

Town of Bourne, — alewife fishery in Herring or Monument River.

By Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 96), a Bill relative to the alewife fishery in the Herring or Monument River in the town of Bourne. (House, No. 880.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Insurance companies, — change of names.

By Mr. Andrews of Boston, from the committee on Insurance, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the change of names of insurance corporations (House, No. 744) ought to pass.

Legacies.

By Mr. Haywood of Lynn, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to legacies (House, No. 442) ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Town of Amesbury, — maintenance and repair of certain bridges.

By Mr. Davis of Amesbury, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 211), a Bill to reimburse the town of Amesbury for the maintenance and repair of certain bridges on the Merrimac River. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Counties on the part of the House.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To limit the amount payable under the land registration act from the assurance fund (which originated in the House) ;

Relative to the taking of depositions ; and

To exempt the city of Brockton from the operation of the law relative to the limit of the municipal debt and the rate of taxation in cities ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motions of Mr. Dean of Wakefield, the report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 516) of John F. Mahoney and others for legislation to authorize cities and towns to regulate the discharge of water from buildings so as to protect sidewalks, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

Sidewalks, —
discharge of
water from
buildings.

On motions of Mr. Stone of Springfield, the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 192) of James W. Stillman for legislation to prohibit the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court from sitting in review of decisions previously rendered by themselves, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

Supreme Judi-
cial Court, —
review of
decisions.

On motions of Mr. Chapple of Salem, the report of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 466) of Frances H. Drake, Elmer E. Watson and others for an amendment to the Constitution striking out the word "male" from the qualifications of voters, and on the petition (with accompanying resolve, Senate, No. 170) of Esther F. Boland and others for a constitutional amendment striking out the word "male" from the qualifications of voters, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Friday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Constitutional
amendment, —
qualifications
of voters.

On motions of Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, the report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 593) of Winfield Temple and others for legislation relative to season tickets issued by railroad companies, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Monday next.

Railroad
companies, —
season tickets.

*Orders of the Day.***Reports :**

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 185) of William

Orders of the
day.

H. Coleman for legislation requiring business brokers to be licensed ;

Of the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 458) of George H. Watson that chapters 450 and 476 of the Acts of the year 1894 be so amended as to place all unincorporated voluntary associations and companies engaged in the gas and electric light business under the supervision and jurisdiction of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners ;

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 351) of the Massachusetts Hotel Association for legislation relative to the liability of innholders for losses sustained by guests ; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 283) of Walter L. Sears for legislation to authorize cities and towns to furnish water free of charge for domestic or public purposes ; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 734) of Nathaniel W. Ladd and others for legislation relative to the use of water meters ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to certain departments of the city of Boston (House, No. 377) was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Cities, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

To authorize towns to print and publish their town records (House, No. 456) ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the First District Court of Southern Worcester (House, No. 506) ;

To authorize the town of Leominster to supply the inhabitants of the town of Lunenburg with water (House, No. 876) ; and

Relative to the trustees of the Pratt Free School (Senate, No. 155) ; and

The Resolve directing the Board of Railroad Commissioners to investigate and report upon the advisability of establishing a uniform passenger rate of two cents a mile upon the railroads of the Commonwealth (House, No. 877) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve to provide for certain improvements at the Danvers Insane Hospital (House, No. 864) was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To empower the county commissioners of Middlesex County to establish a highway in the city of Newton (House, No. 63) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To authorize the town of Arlington to refund a part of its indebtedness (House, No. 181) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

Relative to the preparation of voting lists (House, No. 875) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend an act relative to the counting of ballots at a caucus (House, No. 427) was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a " Bill relative to the counting of ballots at caucuses " (House, No. 881), which was read and substituted and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to the boundary line between the towns of Gay Head and Chilmark (Senate, No. 140) ; and

Relative to the election of street commissioners in the city of Fitchburg (Senate, No. 201) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to extend the time for building the Boston, Quincy and Fall River Bicycle Railway (Senate, No. 202) was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr. Ames of Lowell moved to amend section 1 by inserting after the word " forfeited," in line 9, the words " except as to any portion of said railway built."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Dillon of Holyoke, at twenty-six minutes before three o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 2, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Annual Reports.

Board of Registration in Medicine.

The fifth annual report of the Board of Registration in Medicine (Pub. Doc. No. 56), received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was referred to the committee on Public Health and sent up for concurrence.

Metropolitan Water Board.

The fourth annual report of the Metropolitan Water Board, received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was laid on the table to be printed. (Pub. Doc. No. 57.)

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred:—

City of Boston,
— height of
buildings on
Beacon Hill.

By Mr. Stanley of Newburyport, petition of Edith Russell Wills and others; by Mr. Swift of Tisbury, petitions of Rebecca Daggett Getchell and others and Helen M. Jernegan and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

By Mr. Briggs of Taunton, petition of James A. Talbot, Mary J. Kimball and others; by Mr. Brown of Weston, petition of Joseph F. Carr, Abby F. Rolfe and others; by Mr. Coolidge of Cambridge, petition of John W. Beavin, May Harrison and others; by Mr. Corey of Sturbridge, petition of George F. Hunt, Edith M. Converse and others; by Mr. Crosby of Attleborough, petition of Alison J. Cowles, Elsie A. Woodward and others; by Mr. Dyer of Gardner, petition of Alfred Moulton, Louise E. Skinner and others; by Mr. Feiker of Northampton, petition of A. C. Townsend, Harriet F. Judd and others; by Mr. Harwood of Littleton, petition of Everett Kimball, Abby S. Billings and others; by Mr. Hooper of Manchester, petition of Abner D. Gorham, Linda H.

Underhill and others; by Mr. Kavenaugh of Montague, petition of Frank N. Merriam, Bernice J. Everett and others; by Mr. Keith of Cambridge, petition of D. Brainerd Gunn, Jennie Erhard and others; by Mr. Keyou of Medford, petition of A. A. Cambridge, Mary L. Wyatt and others; by Mr. Litchfield of Lunenburg, petition of Charles S. Haynes, Sadie R. Pierce and others; by Mr. Luce of Somerville, petition of Charles Legal, Evangeline A. Porter and others; by Mr. Marchesseault of Spencer, petition of Emory Draper, Mary E. Craig and others; by Mr. Miller of Southwick, petition of John O. Roberts, Miranda Gibbons and others; by Mr. Minihan of Cambridge, petition of George Whitaker, Louise Adams Keeler and others; by Mr. Newton of Royalston, petition of Oscar T. Brooks, Bertha M. Turner and others; by Mr. Porter of Lynn, petition of William Austin Brown, Narcissa Crossman and others; by Mr. Powers of Malden, petition of Frank G. Selee, Emily M. Miller and others; by Mr. Ray of Ashland, petition of John Mason Batchelder, Hattie Woodward and others; by Mr. Scates of Haverhill, petition of Clarence B. Mitchell, Mary C. Blake and others; by Mr. Simmons of Grafton, petition of Charles S. Weston, Deborah P. Atherton and others; by Mr. Sullivan of Natick, petition of Frank E. Parlin, Mary A. Hayward and others; by Mr. White of Somerville, petition of Arthur L. Snell, Gertrude M. Holt and others; and by Mr. Williams of Foxborough, petition of Willard G. Hewins and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

By Mr. Harriman of Northbridge, petitions of Arthur F. Whitin and other members of the school committee of the town of Northbridge and Samuel A. Melcher, Grace Elizabeth Low and other teachers of the town of Northbridge, — severally, in aid of the Bill relative to studies in the public schools.

Public schools,
— studies.

Severally to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Hawes of Weymouth, petitions of Frank B. Cressy and others, Mary McPherson and others and Thomas A. Watson and others; by Mr. Selfridge of Boston, petition of Charles A. Vialle and others; by Mr. Smith of Waltham, petition of Ephraim Stearns and others; by Mr. Sprague of Quincy, petition of William H. Fay and others; and by Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset,

Nantasket
Beach, —
public reservation.

petition of Seth Sprague and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Foreign corporations, — complete returns.

By Mr. Corey of Sturbridge, petition of Philander Holmes and others; and by Mr. Moore of West Stockbridge, petition of E. H. Eames and others, — severally, in aid of the Bill to require complete returns from foreign companies doing business in this Commonwealth.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

City of Everett, — indebtedness for school purposes.

By Mr. Newton of Everett, petition of the mayor of the city of Everett for legislation to authorize said city to borrow money outside the debt limit for the purchase of land and the building and furnishing of schoolhouses thereon. Mr. Reed of Taunton moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Town of Longmeadow, — water supply.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, petition of the selectmen of the town of Longmeadow for legislation to legalize certain acts of said town relative to its present water system and to authorize the taking of additional sources of water supply. Mr. Stone moved that the 12th and 9th joint rules be suspended, which motions were referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

The following petitions were severally presented and placed on file : —

Woman suffrage, — license question.

By Mr. Leland of Templeton, petition of Martha E. Douglass, Herbert B. Allen and others; and by Mr. Stone of Sharon, petition of Carrie R. Capen, Kilburn R. Clifford and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to enable women to vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw :

City of Salem, — school committee.

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 465) of Arthur A. Averille for legislation relative to the school committee of the city of Salem; and

City of Salem, — election of street commissioner.

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 530) of William H. Fullam and another for legislation to

provide for the annual election of a commissioner of streets in the city of Salem ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A Resolve (introduced on leave) to provide for printing the report of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners on a high-level system of sewerage (Senate, No. 215), referred by the Senate to the committee on Printing, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners, — high-level gravity sewer for Charles and Neponset River valleys.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Resolve (introduced on leave) in favor of the widow of Joseph Conneton. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the resolve (House, No. 882) was referred to the committee on Ways and Means and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Widow of Joseph Conneton.

By Mr. Chadwick of Newton, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to vacate certain sewer assessments. (House, No. 671.) Read and ordered to a second reading, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Chadwick, the bill was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on motion of Mr. Hayes of Lowell.

City of Cambridge, — sewer assessments.

By Mr. Chadwick of Newton, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 557) of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for legislation to authorize said city to sell or abandon certain lands taken for public park purposes.

City of Cambridge, — park lands.

By Mr. Litchfield of Lunenburg, from the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles Augustus Fernald and others for legislation to control the sale of alcoholic liquors and of poisons, to punish criminal abortion and to provide that illegitimate children shall be wards of the State, and to provide that a certain location in each city shall be set apart for the occupancy of prostitutes.

Intoxicating liquors, poisons, criminal abortion, illegitimate children, prostitutes.

First Church
in Boston.

By Mr. Fisher of Amherst, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioners, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 738) of Walter Hunnewell and another that the charter of the First Church in Boston may be amended.

Railroad com-
panies, — tools
in cars.

By Mr. Blood of Fitchburg, from the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 588) of Hugh W. Bresnahan for legislation to require railroad cars to be furnished with certain tools for the better protection of passengers against fire.

State Board of
Health, —
water supply.

By Mr. Varney of Lowell, from the committee on Water Supply, no legislation necessary, on so much of the twenty-ninth annual report of the State Board of Health (Pub. Doc. No. 34) as relates to the general subject of water supply.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Railroad com-
panies, —
equipment of
freight cars.

By Mr. Ross of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the equipment of freight cars (House, No. 444) ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Taunton Safe
Deposit and
Trust Company.

By Mr. Cook of Milford, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 664), a Bill to extend the time for the organization of the Taunton Safe Deposit and Trust Company. (House, No. 883.)

Trust com-
panies.

By Mr. Whelan of Weymouth, from the same committee, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 766), a Bill relative to the business of trust companies. (House, No. 884.)

City of
Cambridge, —
park betterment
assessments.

By Mr. Chadwick of Newton, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to abate or refund a portion of the betterments assessed on account of the establishment of parks in said city. (House, No. 558.)

City of
Cambridge, —
indebtedness
for sewer
construction.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 555), a Bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of constructing sewers. (House, No. 885.)

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize the sale of certain lands acquired for park purposes by the city of Cambridge (House, No. 623) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 886.)

City of Cambridge, — sale of park lands.

By Mr. Wheeler of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the practice of pharmacy (House, No. 342) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 887.)

Pharmacy.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to search warrants authorizing search in night time (House, No. 219) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Search warrants, — search in night time.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, from the committee on Public Service, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to regulate the salaries of State officials and others (House, No. 568) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title, "Bill to provide for the appointment of a committee to regulate and equalize the salaries of State and county officials." Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

State and county officers, — salaries.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for the retirement of justices of the Supreme Judicial and Superior courts (House, No. 546) ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Supreme Judicial and Superior courts, — retirement of justices.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to registering and confirming titles to land ;

Bills enacted.

Relative to the appointment of trustees of the First Baptist Meeting House of Dorchester, situated in Neponset Village ;

Relative to the election of city officers by city councils ; (Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the city of Lynn to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of abating a nuisance on Little River ; and

To extend the time within which the town of Holden may supply itself with water ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

Town of
Revere, — in-
debtedness for
highway con-
struction.

On motions of Mr. Howland of Chelsea, the report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 190) of the selectmen of the town of Revere for legislation to authorize said town to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of constructing highways, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

Laundries.

On motions of Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, the Bill relative to laundries and persons employed therein (House, No. 222) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Thursday next, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Public Health.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw :
On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 183) of Richard L. Gay for legislation to authorize the nomination of the mayor of the city of Boston by direct vote in caucuses ; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 479) of Herbert M. Small for legislation relative to nominations of candidates by conventions ;

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 483) of Julius M. Swain and another for legislation to authorize the Insurance Commissioner to examine fraternal beneficiary organizations ;

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 278) of Charles E. Haywood for legislation to enable the city of Lynn to receive a certain legacy ; and

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 591) of W. F. Adams for legislation to provide for electric gongs at private ways or crossings over all railroads in Suffolk County ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 24) of Charles F. Sargent and others for legislation repealing, under certain conditions, the law limiting the number of licenses to be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors ; and

Of the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 118) of John E. Baldwin for legislation providing for better ventilation of sleeping rooms in which gas is burned ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill to require poles for wires in the city of Boston to be made of iron (House, No. 562) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Cities, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to industrial or prudential insurance (House, No. 287) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Insurance, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to divorce (House, No. 244) was rejected, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to laundries (House, No. 110) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Public Health, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

Relative to the collection of taxes (House, No. 166) ; and

Relative to interest on overdue taxes (House, No. 653) ;

Were severally rejected, as recommended, in each case, by the committee on Taxation, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the employment of telegraph operators by railroad companies (House, No. 550) was re-

ferred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Railroads, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

Relative to legacies (House, No. 442) ;

To provide for the better protection of county buildings and for the appointment of county police by county commissioners (House, No. 879) ; and

Relative to the alewife fishery in the Herring or Monument River in the town of Bourne (House, No. 880) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize towns to print and publish their town records (House, No. 456) ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the First District Court of Southern Worcester (House, No. 506) ; and

To authorize the town of Leominster to supply the inhabitants of the town of Lunenburg with water (House, No. 876) ; and

Resolves :

To provide for certain improvements at the Danvers Insane Hospital (House, No. 864) ; and

Directing the Board of Railroad Commissioners to investigate and report upon the advisability of establishing a uniform passenger rate of two cents a mile upon the railroads of the Commonwealth (House, No. 877) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the trustees of the Pratt Free School (Senate, No. 155) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to days of grace on sight drafts (House, No. 739) was considered, the question being " Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Excellency the Governor ? "

On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, it was voted that debate be closed at five minutes past four o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached.

After debate the yeas and nays were taken, and the roll being called the bill was passed, notwithstanding the objections of His Excellency the Governor, and, with the objections, was sent to the Senate.

The vote was 210 yeas to 5 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.	Messrs. Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
Adams, Charles H.	Dillon, Thomas J.
Ainsworth, Wilfred	Donahue, Thomas
Ames, Butler	Donovan, Edward J.
Andrews, David B.	Donovan, James H.
Andrews, Richard F., Jr.	Donovan, Michael J.
Apsey, Albert S.	Dooling, Thomas J.
Balcom, George	Douglass, John J.
Bartlett, Edwin	Drake, Frederic P.
Battles, David W.	Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
Bennett, Frank P.	Dudley, George J.
Bleiler, John	Dumond, John B.
Blood, Charles H.	Dyer, George N.
Boylston, Ward N.	Eddy, Curtis
Bresnahan, Hugh W.	Ellsworth, J. Lewis
Bridgeo, William	Estes, Eugene B.
Briggs, Clarence A.	Farwell, Frederick W.
Brigham, William M.	Favor, John
Brooks, Charles C.	Feiker, William H.
Brown, Henry L.	Fisher, George E.
Brown, Willard M.	Fitts, Frank E.
Bugbee, Nelson A.	Fitzgerald, William T. A.
Bullock, William J.	Flanagan, John J.
Burgess, Albert H.	Folsom, Albert T.
Burrington, Lester L.	Foster, Frank A.
Bushnell, S. Hopkins	Francis, Frank W.
Campbell, Andrew	Gaddis, Michael E.
Carleton, George H.	Gilpatric, Fred C.
Chadwick, N. Henry	Goulding, Albert M.
Chapple, William D.	Grant, Oliver S.
Clerke, Charles S.	Green, Thomas H.
Cluer, Arthur H.	Grimes, James W.
Cole, Samuel	Hagberg, John G.
Conwell, Robert E.	Hancock, Portus B.
Cook, Clifford A.	Harlow, Franklin P.
Corey, Charles V.	Harriman, Charles H.
Crosby, Aaron S.	Harvell, Elisha T.
Crosby, Alfred R.	Harvie, Robert B.
Crosby, J. Howell	Harwood, George F.
Cullinane, Richard	Harwood, Herbert J.
Dalton, J. Frank	Hawes, Martin E.
Daly, William	Hayes, William H. I.
Davenport, William A.	Henderson, Francis D.
Davis, Daniel W.	Hooper, Franklin K.
Davis, William R.	Horton, Henry T.
Dean, Charles A.	Howard, Robert
Dean, George Z.	Howland, Charles W.

Messrs. Howland, Willard

Hunt, James
 Huntress, Franklin E.
 Johnson, Charles R.
 Jones, Michael B.
 Judd, William E.
 Kane, Daniel J.
 Kavenaugh, John E.
 Kells, William, Jr.
 Keyou, Nicholas B.
 King, Charles F.
 King, Randolph V.
 Kyle, William S.
 Lanergan, John P.
 Langford, John T.
 Learoyd, Addison P.
 Leland, Francis
 Libby, John F.
 Litchfield, James A.
 Litchfield, William C.
 Lockhart, Alexander
 Lomasney, Martin M.
 Lowe, John H.
 Luce, Robert
 Mahoney, David A.
 Mahony, Frederick C.
 Mansfield, Matthew M.
 Marchant, Charles S.
 Marchesseault, Eugene D.
 Marden, William H.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
 McLoughlin, William I.
 Mead, Edward C.
 Mellen, James H.
 Miller, Charles H.
 Miller, William J.
 Mills, Charles P.
 Minihan, Cornelius
 Minton, John M.
 Montgomery, James A.
 Moore, James S.
 Morrison, Andrew H.
 Morse, Merrick A.
 Munroe, John P.
 Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
 Myers, James J.
 Neal, David
 Newton, H. Huestis
 Newton, Phinehas S.

Messrs. Parker, William C.

Paton, Alexander S.
 Persons, Charles H.
 Pike, William T.
 Porter, Thomas F.
 Powers, John A.
 Prindle, John F.
 Puffer, Herbert C.
 Queeney, James H.
 Quigley, William J.
 Ramsdell, Charles H.
 Ray, Albert H.
 Reed, Silas D.
 Robinson, Lewis D.
 Root, Albert B.
 Ross, Leonard W.
 Ross, Samuel
 Rounseville, Albert
 Russell, Arthur P.
 Salter, William R.
 Sands, Edward P.
 Saunders, Charles R.
 Scates, Louis M.
 Schofield, William
 Seavey, James F.
 Severance, Joseph C.
 Shaw, Nathan W.
 Sheppard, Eben W.
 Simmons, Arthur A.
 Skillings, William E.
 Skinner, Henry R.
 Smith, Allen F.
 Smith, Charles F. A.
 Smith, Charles G.
 Sparks, John T.
 Sprague, Eugene H.
 Stalker, Hugh L.
 Stanley, Benjamin F.
 Stewart, Joseph I.
 Stone, Silas A.
 Stone, Willmore B.
 Sullivan, Michael J.
 Sullivan, Timothy F.
 Swift, William S.
 Tatman, Charles T.
 Toland, John I.
 Tolman, William
 Toomey, John J.
 Trow, Charles E.
 Turner, Henry E.

Messrs. Turtle, William	Messrs. Wentworth, Edward E.
Twombly, Horatio F.	Weston, Walter S.
Twomey, Edmund J.	Wheeler, William D.
Upson, Charles H.	Whelan, John B.
Varney, George E.	White, Horace C.
Wallace, S. Ives	Willard, Edward E.
Watson, Walter S.	Williams, George F.
Wells, Abelard E.	Wood, Alva S.

NAYS.

Messrs. Currier, Guy W.	Messrs. McIsaac, Daniel V.
Dean, Benjamin C.	Selfridge, George S.
Frost, Archie N.	

210 yeas ; 5 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Keith, Charles P.	Messrs. Haywood, Charles E.*
Crouch, Charles S.	Haskins, Leander M.*
Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.	Spooner, Wallace*
Hopewell, William	Odlin, William*
Chandler, Leonard B.	Donovan, Eugene E.*

* Present.

On motion of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, at twenty-six minutes past four o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 3, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally presented and referred:—

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

By Mr. Cook of Milford, petition of John Wrenn, Cynthia C. Wood and others; by Mr. Harriman of Northbridge, petition of Willard Wilson, Eva L. White and others; by Mr. Heath of Northborough, petition of Perry H. White, Emma N. Allen and others; by Mr. Kavenaugh of Montague, petition of Freeman A. Crafts, Effie M. Norton and others; by Mr. Marchesseault of Spencer, petition of Nathaniel Seaver, Jr., Carrie W. Stearns and others; by Mr. Stanley of Newburyport, petition of George O. Noyes, Caroline Randall and others; by Mr. Stone of Sharon, petition of Charles S. Curtis, Amelia H. Pollard and others; and by Mr. Williams of Foxborough, petition of Daniel Covell, Lucy J. Howard and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Public schools,
— studies;
physiology and
hygiene.

By Mr. Bartlett of Oxford, remonstrance of C. H. Walters and others; by Mr. Brown of Weston, remonstrance of Henrietta M. Chase, Henry M. Lane and others; by Mr. Crosby of Barnstable, remonstrance of R. H. Schnett and others; by Mr. Judd of Holyoke, remonstrance of William F. Hills, Lydia S. Merriam and others; by Mr. Kavenaugh of Montague, remonstrance of Martin L. Richardson, M. Angie Deane and others; by Mr. Libby of Medford, remonstrance of D. Augustine Newton and others; by Mr. Marchesseault of Spencer, remonstrance of David C. Reid, Marietta M. W. Seaver and others; by Mr. Stanley of Newburyport, remonstrance of William H. French and others; by Mr. Swift of Tisbury, remonstrance of Timothy Shugrue, Sydna Eldridge and others; and by Mr. Twombly of Framingham, remonstrance of A. M. Eames and others, — severally, against

the passage of the Bill relative to studies in the public schools, and petitions of the same in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Andrews of Boston, petition of Charles B. Alden and others in aid of the Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition of Patrick A. Collins and other members of the Suffolk bar in aid of the Bill to provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Province Laws.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, petition of Elinus J. Elliott and others; by Mr. Clerke of Boston, petition of George Allen and others; by Mr. Hayes of Lowell, petition of Rodney F. Hemenway and others; by Mr. Luce of Somerville, petitions of Thomas F. Proctor and others, Robert C. Bridgham and others and E. E. Knowlton and others; by Mr. Neal of Dedham, petition of Robert H. O. Schulz and others; by Mr. Parker of Boston, petition of Edward E. Hale and others; and by Mr. Sprague of Quincy, petition of Edwin N. Hardy and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation.

Nantasket Beach, — public reservation.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, petition of E. Belding, Frank L. Worthy and others in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize or require the county commissioners of Hampden County to construct a bridge across the Connecticut River at Springfield. To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Connecticut River, — bridge at Springfield.

By Mr. Adams of Barre, petition of George E. Morse and another; by Mr. Ames of Lowell, petition of Samuel Sewall and another; by Mr. Newton of Royalston, petition of Herbert L. Hapgood and others; and by Mr. Persons of Maynard, petition of William H. Clark and others, — severally, in aid of the Bill to require complete returns from foreign companies doing business in this Commonwealth.

Foreign corporations, — complete returns.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Life preservers. A report of the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 11) of Charles F. Sargent for legislation to regulate the manufacture and sale of life preservers, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Third Parish in Dedham. The House Bill to change the name of the Third Parish in Dedham (House, No. 502) (its title having been changed by the Senate) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

Grafton, Upton and Milford Street Railway Company. A petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 216) of John F. Simmons for legislation granting additional rights to the Grafton, Upton and Milford Street Railway Company, referred by the Senate to the committee on Street Railways, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

State officials, —expenditures. The House Resolve (introduced on leave) relative to expenditures by State officials and heads of departments (House, No. 878) came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

On motions of Mr. Simmons of Grafton, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Reports of Committees.

Mother of James T. Mahony, Jr. By Mr. McIsaac of Boston, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the House should concur with the Senate in its amendment to the House Resolve in favor of the mother of James T. Mahony, Jr. (House, No. 370.) On motion of Mr. McIsaac, the rule was suspended, the House concurred with the Senate in the amendment, and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Massachusetts Volunteer Aid Association. By Mr. Quigley of Chelmsford, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Resolution relative to the Massachusetts Volunteer Aid Association (House, No. 740)

ought to be adopted. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on the adoption of the resolution.

By Mr. Donovan of Taunton, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 553) of John I. Toland for legislation to provide for the widening of Pine street in ward three of the city of Boston.

City of Boston,
— widening of
Pine street.

By Mr. Stanley of Newburyport, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 363) of John W. Pettengill for legislation to establish the salary of the justice of the First District Court of Eastern Middlesex.

First District
Court of East-
ern Middlesex,
— salary of
justice.

By Mr. Scates of Haverhill, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 194) of James W. Hoitt, second clerk in the office of the Chief of the District Police, for an increase of salary.

Chief of the
District Police,
— salary of
second clerk.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 474) of the assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Essex for an increase of salary.

County of
Essex, — salary
of assistant
register of probate and insolvency.

By Mr. Dean of Wakefield, from the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 771) of Albert B. Fales for legislation to require fire insurance companies to furnish certain information to assessors concerning personal property.

Fire insurance
companies, —
information
concerning
personal
property.

By Mr. Root of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 498) of Howard K. Brown and another for legislation to authorize the Treasurer and Receiver-General to adjust by compromise questions arising in relation to the taxation of collateral legacies and successions.

Treasurer and
Receiver-
General, —
taxation of
collateral
legacies and
successions.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. Skinner of Watertown, from the committee on Election Laws, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to prohibit the use of foreign languages by caucus and election officers (House, No. 425) ought not to pass.

Caucus and
election officers,
— use of foreign
languages.

By Mr. Howard of Fall River, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) forbidding caucus and

Caucus and
election officers,
— preferences
of voters.

election officers to divulge the preferences of voters (House, No. 424) ought not to pass.

Foreign
insurance
companies, —
protection of
Massachusetts
policy holders.

By Mr. Boylston of Princeton, from the committee on Insurance, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to furnish further protection to Massachusetts policy holders in foreign insurance companies transacting a surety or accident insurance to persons in this Commonwealth (House, No. 629) ought not to pass.

Poultry and
eggs.

By Mr. Turner of Malden, from the committee on Public Health, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the sale of poultry and eggs (House, No. 624) ought not to pass.

Taxation, —
fermented
liquors.

By Mr. Gartland of Boston, from the committee on Taxation, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to impose a tax on fermented liquors (House, No. 651) ought not to pass.

Town meetings.

By Mr. Litchfield of Middleborough, from the committee on Towns, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to change the time for town meetings to November and December (House, No. 569) ought not to pass.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

Pyncheon Safe
Deposit and
Trust Company.

By Mr. Harvell of Rockland, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 599), a Bill to extend the time within which the Pyncheon Safe Deposit and Trust Company may organize and begin business. (House, No. 890.)

Town of Mid-
dleton, — street
railway.

By Mr. Crosby of Attleborough, from the committee on Towns, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 409), a Bill to authorize the town of Middleton to aid in the construction of a street railway. (House, No. 888.)

Towns, — free
public lectures.

By Mr. Pike of Groveland, from the same committee, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 798), a Bill to authorize towns to appropriate money for free public lectures. (House, No. 889.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

City of Boston,
— statistics of
parent nativity.

By Mr. Puffer of Springfield, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill relative to the tabulation of statistics of parent nativity in Boston. (House, No. 528.)

Christopher
Harrison.

By Mr. Campbell of Westfield, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Christopher Harrison. (House, No. 712.)

By Mr. Sisson of Lynn, from the committee on Printing, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) to provide for printing additional copies of Bradford's History of the Plymouth Plantation (House, No 259) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title.

Bradford's
History of the
Plymouth Plan-
tation.

By Mr. Love of Webster, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the fourteenth annual report of the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital (Pub. Doc. No. 30), in part, a Resolve to provide for a barn at the Westborough Insane Hospital.

Westborough
Insane Hospital,
— barn.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the election of street commissioners in the city of Fitchburg ; and

Bills enacted.

Relative to the boundary line between the towns of Gay Head and Chilmark ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve to confirm the acts of Alexander O'D. Taylor as a commissioner for Massachusetts in Rhode Island (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders of the Day.

Mr. Johnson of Worcester moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the report of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 466) of Frances H. Drake, Elmer E. Watson and others for an amendment to the Constitution striking out the word "male" from the qualifications of voters, and on the petition (with accompanying resolve, Senate, No. 170) of Esther F. Boland and others for a constitutional amendment striking out the word "male" from the qualifications of voters, which motion, after debate, was lost.

Constitutional
amendment, —
qualifications
of voters.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motions of Mr. White of Somerville, the Bill relative to the appointment of medical experts as witnesses

Superior Court,
— medical
experts as
witnesses.

in the Superior Court (House, No. 367) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table, pending the question on its reference to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

City of
Cambridge, —
indebtedness
for sewer con-
struction.

On motion of Mr. Keith of Cambridge, the Bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of constructing sewers (House, No. 885) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Fire insurance
policies, — total
losses.

On motions of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the Bill relative to total losses upon fire insurance policies (House, No. 389) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Insurance.

Overdue taxes,
— rate of inter-
est.

On motions of Mr. Hagberg of Worcester, the Bill relative to the rate of interest on overdue taxes (House, No. 761) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Thursday next, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Taxation.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 557) of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for legislation to authorize said city to sell or abandon certain lands taken for public park purposes ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles Augustus Fernald and others for legislation to control the sale of alcoholic liquors and of poisons, to punish criminal abortion and to provide that illegitimate children shall be wards of the State, and to provide that a certain location in each city shall be set apart for the occupancy of prostitutes ;

Of the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioners, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 738) of

Walter Hunnewell and another that the charter of the First Church in Boston may be amended ;

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 588) of Hugh W. Bresnahan for legislation to require railroad cars to be furnished with certain tools for the better protection of passengers against fire ; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, no legislation necessary, on so much of the twenty-ninth annual report of the State Board of Health (Pub. Doc. No. 34) as relates to the general subject of water supply ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 465) of Arthur A. Averille for legislation relative to the school committee of the city of Salem ; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 530) of William H. Fullam and another for legislation to provide for the annual election of a commissioner of streets in the city of Salem ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill to increase the ad damnum in writs and process that may be served by constables (House, No. 542) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Probate and Insolvency, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the equipment of freight cars (House, No. 444) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Railroads, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

Relative to search warrants authorizing search in night time (House, No. 219) ;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to abate or refund a portion of the betterments assessed on account of the establishment of parks in said city (House, No. 558) ;

Relative to the change of names of insurance corporations (House, No. 744) ;

Relative to the business of trust companies (House, No. 884) ; and

To authorize the sale of certain lands acquired for park purposes by the city of Cambridge (House, No. 886) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relative to legacies (House, No. 442) ; and

To provide for the better protection of county buildings and for the appointment of county police by county commissioners (House, No. 879) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 466) of Frances H. Drake, Elmer E. Watson and others for an amendment to the Constitution striking out the word "male" from the qualifications of voters, and on the petition (with accompanying resolve, Senate, No. 170) of Esther F. Boland and others for a constitutional amendment striking out the word "male" from the qualifications of voters, was considered.

Mr. Johnson of Worcester moved to amend by the substitution of a "Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution relative to the qualifications of voters" (House, No. 466).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, the House refused to substitute the resolve, by a vote of 31 to 82, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the recounting of votes (House, No. 197) was considered, and after debate was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Election Laws, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to extend the time for the organization of the Taunton Safe Deposit and Trust Company (House, No. 883) was read a second time, amended in section 1, on motion of Mr. Cook of Milford, by inserting after the word "organize," in lines 4 and 5, the words "and commence business," and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the practice of pharmacy (House, No. 887) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Bullock of New Bedford moved to amend by adding at the end of section 1 the words "with the advice and consent of the council."

Mr. Hayes of Lowell moved to amend by striking out section 1.

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After debate the amendment moved by Mr. Bullock was adopted. The amendment moved by Mr. Hayes was rejected, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Dean of Wakefield, at twenty-one minutes past three o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, March 6, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Committee Vacancy Filled.

Committee on
Drainage, —
vacancy filled.

The Speaker appointed Mr. Frederick C. Mahony of Boston to fill the vacancy on the committee on Drainage.

Expenses of Committees.

Sergeant-at-
Arms, — ex-
penses of
committees.

A communication was received from the Sergeant-at-Arms, in accordance with Joint Rule 3, submitting a statement of the expenses of committees for the month ending February 28, 1899, as furnished by the Auditor of Accounts. (House, No. 891.) Read and sent to the Senate.

Order.

Committee on
Railroads, —
travel.

On motion of Mr. Reed of Taunton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of its duties.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally presented and referred : —

City of Boston,
— height of
buildings on
Beacon Hill.

By Mr. Dean of Brookline, petition of officers of Hannah Goddard Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, and others in aid of the petition for legislation to limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston. To the committee on Cities.

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

By Mr. Grimes of Reading, petition of James W. Foote, Julia A. Johnson and others ; by Mr. Kavenaugh of Montague, petition of George D. Payne, Harriet Clapp and others ; by Mr. Mansfield of Lowell, petition of Eli Turner, Orpah Sutcliffe and others ; and by Mr. Marchesseault of Spencer, petition of Edwin N. Adams, Jennie M. Childs and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amend-

ments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

By Mr. Davis of Amesbury, remonstrance of David L. Bartlett, Eva C. Cutting and others; and by Mr. Lockhart of Fall River, remonstrance of Payson W. Lyman, Louise B. Pierce and others, — severally, against the passage of the Bill relative to studies in the public schools, and petitions of the same in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Public schools,
— studies;
physiology
and hygiene.

Severally to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Howland of Dartmouth, petitions of Horace S. Bennett and others, E. C. Brownell and others, Charles W. Christopher and others, B. R. Deane and others and William T. Dunn and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to permit the taking of butter-fish in Buzzard's Bay by nets or weirs.

Buzzard's Bay,
— taking of
butter-fish by
nets or weirs.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petitions of William Everett and others and the recording secretary of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, — severally, in aid of the Bill to provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws.

Province Laws.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Crosby of Arlington, petition of Helen M. Tufts and others; by Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, petitions of Charles A. Bates and others, C. Burleigh Collins and others and E. D. Jordan and others; and by Mr. Whelan of Weymouth, petitions of Elizabeth H. Cleverly, Frank L. Spear and others, L. B. Curtis, L. Harriette Bates and others, Henry D. Dix, Loretta T. Stetson and others, E. W. Hobart, Jennie B. Worster and others, John A. Holbrook, Grace H. Wolfe and others, Annie K. Jones, Charles C. Nast and others, Henry S. Snyder, Mary P. Neal and others, Charles G. Sheppard, Rosa M. Bagley and others and John W. Thomas, Eliza J. French and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation.

Nantasket
Beach, — public
reservation.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, petition of Willis D. Leland, for the Pawtucket Church of Lowell; and by Mr. Wells of Peabody, petition of F. A. Poole and others, — sever-

Transportation
companies, —
weekly rest-day
for employees.

ally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Foreign corporations, — complete returns.

By Mr. Hopewell of Fall River, petition of Peleg S. Sanford, Jr., and others; and by Mr. Wells of Peabody, petition of C. T. Batchelder and others, — severally, in aid of the Bill to require complete returns from foreign companies doing business in this Commonwealth.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Real estate, — redemption.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 116) of Henry C. Whitney for an amendment of the law for the redemption of real estate under foreclosure, execution or otherwise; and

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary :

Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded.

On the fifty-first annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded (Pub. Doc. No. 28); and

Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients.

On the supplement to the second annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Milk, — inspection.

A Bill relative to the inspection of milk (Senate, No. 212) (new draft of a bill, Senate, No. 73, introduced on leave), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills :

Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

Relative to certain payments to be made to the Worcester Polytechnic Institute (Senate, No. 57);

Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics.

Relative to the admission of patients to the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics (Senate, No. 179);

(Severally reported on a petition); and

Towns, — support of inmates of State institutions.

To relieve certain towns from the support of inmates of certain State institutions (Senate, No. 196) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 133);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

The House Bill to establish a sitting of the Superior Court for the county of Bristol in the city of Fall River (House, No. 453) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Lockhart of Fall River, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

County of
Bristol, —
sitting of
Superior Court
at Fall River.

The House Bill making appropriations for sundry educational expenses (House, No. 419) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Appropriations,
— sundry
educational
expenses.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Petitions of Edward Constant and others, D. E. Hurd and others, F. J. Blake and others, Clarence B. Mitchell and others, C. A. Taft and others, Perry Wood and others, John Mason Batchelder and others, A. W. Kimball and others, George W. Hunt and others, L. G. Alvord and others, C. C. Chase and others, Herbert S. Dow and others, J. S. Temple and others, George E. Freeman and others, J. H. Humphrey and others, Nathan C. Nye and others, N. W. Sanborn and others and John Arthur Savage and others, — severally, for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

Remonstrances of Lizzie A. R. Knight and others, C. H. Walters and others, A. H. Nazarian and others, Joseph E. DeWitt and others, Charles Edward Spaulding and others, D. W. Richardson and others, John E. Blake and others, Martin L. Richardson and others, Henrietta M. Chase and others, L. M. Pierce and others and George H. Clarke and others, — severally, against the passage of the Bill relative to studies in the public schools (House, No. 817), and petitions of the same for the passage of Senate Bill No. 41, accompanying the petition of Charles L. Morgan and Mary H. Hunt for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Public schools,
— studies;
physiology
and hygiene.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Reports of Committees.

City of Everett,
— indebtedness
for school
purposes.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of the mayor of the city of Everett for legislation to authorize said city to borrow money outside the debt limit for the purchase of land and the building and furnishing of schoolhouses thereon. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 901) was referred to the committee on Cities.

Divorce and
separate
maintenance
proceedings.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of Albert S. Apsey for legislation relative to proceedings for divorce and separate maintenance. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 899) was referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Town of
Russell, —
indebtedness.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize the town of Russell to refund a portion of its indebtedness. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill (House, No. 900) was referred to the committee on Towns.

Town of Long-
meadow, —
water supply.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th and 9th joint rules be suspended on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Longmeadow for legislation to legalize certain acts of said town relative to its present water system and to authorize the taking of additional sources of water supply. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the 12th and 9th joint rules were severally suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 903) was referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Sutton Home
for Aged
Women.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of George M. Foster and others for an act of incorporation

as the Sutton Home for Aged Women in Peabody. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hayes, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 902) was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of the mayor of the city of Somerville for legislation to authorize said city to construct a storm-water drain through a portion of the city of Cambridge and into Millers River. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Whipple of Brockton, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 898) was referred to the committee on Drainage.

City of
Somerville, —
storm-water
drain.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) to regulate the employment of labor. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Whipple, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill (House, No. 897) was referred to the committee on Labor.

Labor, —
employment of.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the Resolve (introduced on leave) to provide for printing the report of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners on a high-level system of sewerage (Senate, No. 215). Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the resolve was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Printing.

Metropolitan
Sewerage Com-
missioners, —
high-level
gravity sewer
for Charles and
Neponset River
valleys.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 9th joint rule on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 190) of J. C. Bennett and others for legislation providing for the construction of a State highway from Boston to Lynn, and providing for the construction of such channels or structures over tide waters as may be necessary. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hayes of Lowell, the 9th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the

State highway
from Boston to
Lynn.

petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Roads and Bridges, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Labor, —
federal eight-
hour law.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be not suspended on the Resolutions in favor of the federal eight-hour law pending before the United States Senate. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Dean of Brookline, the House refused to suspend the 12th joint rule, and the resolutions were referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

James F. Shaw
and others, —
railroads, street
railways and
electric plants.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 9th joint rule on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 187) of James F. Shaw and others for incorporation for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating railroads and street railways and electric power and lighting plants in the various States, territories and colonies of the United States and in foreign countries. [Mr. Mellen of Worcester dissenting.]

City councils
and boards of
aldermen, —
secret sessions.

By Mr. Sands of Boston, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 559) of the Citizens' Association of Boston for legislation to prohibit secret sessions of city councils and boards of aldermen.

City of Lowell,
— number of
liquor licenses.

By Mr. Mills of Newburyport, from the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 605) of Edward D. McVey for legislation increasing the number of places licensed to sell intoxicating liquors in the city of Lowell.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
licenses in
towns of two or
more villages.

By Mr. Gaddis of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 701) of Robert L. Parks and others for legislation relative to the granting of licenses for sale of intoxicating liquors in towns containing two or more villages.

Manufactured
goods, — nature
and ingredients.

By Mr. Briggs of Taunton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 780) of Sidney Sanders and another for legislation to provide for informing the public of the nature and ingredients of manufactured goods sold or offered for sale in this Commonwealth.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 781) of Sidney Sanders and another for legislation to provide for informing the public of the names, residences and responsibilities of parties doing business in the Commonwealth.

Business parties, — names, residences and responsibilities.

By Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 607) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation to authorize said city to issue loans for the extension of its water distribution system.

City of Boston, — loans for extension of water distribution system.

By Mr. Chase of Westborough, from the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 722) of Charles Megan for legislation relative to bakeries and persons employed therein.

Bakeries.

By Mr. Sheppard of Quincy, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 473) of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Essex for an increase of salary.

County of Essex, — salary of judge of probate and insolvency.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Estes of Brockton, from the committee on the Liquor Law, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the termination of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the city of Boston (House, No. 88) ought not to pass.

City of Boston, — termination of liquor licenses.

By Mr. Gaddis of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to prohibit the setting up of stock tickers in premises licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors (House, No. 749) ought not to pass.

Intoxicating liquors, — stock tickers.

By Mr. Haskins of Rockport, from the committee on Railroads, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to require railroad companies to equip their cars with platform gates (House, No. 649) ought not to pass. [Messrs. Reed of Taunton and Blood of Fitchburg, of the House, dissenting.]

Railroad companies, — platform gates on cars.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. Hunt of Worcester, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Worces-

City of Worcester, —

Belmont and
Shrewsbury
streets.

ter to alter and change the grade of Belmont and Shrewsbury streets over land of the Commonwealth. (House, No. 478.)

City of Malden,
— indebtedness
for park pur-
poses.

By Mr. Foster of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 477), a Bill to authorize the city of Malden to incur indebtedness for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law. (House, No. 893.)

City of Malden,
— old burial
lots.

By Mr. Donovan of Taunton, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to provide for the removal of the remains of the dead from the old burial lots in Malden. (House, No. 675.)

City of Chelsea,
— charter.

By Mr. Spooner of Chelsea, from the same committee, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 523), a Bill to amend the charter of the city of Chelsea. (House, No. 896.) [Mr. Donovan of Taunton, of the House, dissenting.]

South Middle-
borough
Cemetery
Association.

By Mr. Battles of Brockton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to amend the charter of the South Middleborough Cemetery Association. (House, No. 843.)

Bartlett
Cemetery
Association.

By Mr. Clerke of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Bartlett Cemetery Association. (House, No. 514.)

Corporations, —
examination of
books and
accounts by
stockholders.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize the stockholders of any corporation to examine its books and accounts (House, No. 374) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Bill to authorize stockholders of certain corporations to examine their books and accounts. (House, No. 895.)

Needham
Cemetery
Association.

By Mr. Learoyd of Danvers, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Needham Cemetery Association. (House, No. 710.)

Catholic
Cemetery in
Dorchester.

By Mr. King of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 463), a Bill to authorize the proprietors of the Catholic Cemetery in Dorchester to hold additional real and personal estate. (House, No. 894.) [Mr. Odlin of Andover, of the House, dissenting.]

Plymouth
County Rail-
road Company.

By Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 808), a Bill to extend the time for the construction of the railroad of the Plymouth County Railroad Company and for other purposes. (House, No. 892.)

By Mr. Grimes of Reading, from the committee on Auctioneers. Probate and Insolvency, on a petition, a Bill relative to auctioneers. (House, No. 716.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Foster of Boston, from the committee on Cities, ^{Park commis-} that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to park commissioners (House, No. 330) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Chadwick of Newton, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on February 24, rejected the Bill relative to the watering of streets in cities (House, No. 420) was taken from the table. ^{Cities, — water-}

After debate the motion to reconsider was adopted, by a vote of 96 to 1.

Pending the recurring question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Cities, it was recommitted to that committee, on further motion of Mr. Chadwick.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the Harbor and Land Commissioners ; ^{Bills enacted.}

Relative to the licensing of gas fitters and the supervision of gas fitting in the town of Brookline ;

To provide for the establishment of a fire department and the appointment of a fire commissioner in the town of Brookline ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Relative to the trustees of the Pratt Free School (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes ; ^{Resolves passed.}

Relative to expenditures by State officials and heads of departments ;

In favor of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts ; and

To provide for the purchase of land for the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients ;
 (Which severally originated in the House) ;
 Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

Railroad
 companies, —
 season tickets.

On motions of Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, the report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 593) of Winfield Temple and others for legislation relative to season tickets issued by railroad companies, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
 day.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 553) of John I. Toland for legislation to provide for the widening of Pine street in ward three of the city of Boston ;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 363) of John W. Pettengill for legislation to establish the salary of the justice of the First District Court of Eastern Middlesex ; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 474) of the assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Essex for an increase of salary ;

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 498) of Howard K. Brown and another for legislation to authorize the Treasurer and Receiver-General to adjust by compromise questions arising in relation to the taxation of collateral legacies and successions ; and

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 771) of Albert B. Fales for legislation to require fire insurance companies to furnish certain information to assessors concerning personal property ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 11) of Charles F. Sargent for legislation to

regulate the manufacture and sale of life-preservers, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Forbidding caucus and election officers to divulge the preferences of voters (House, No. 424) ; and

To prohibit the use of foreign languages by caucus and election officers (House, No. 425) ;

Were severally rejected, as recommended, in each case, by the committee on Election Laws, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to furnish further protection to Massachusetts policy holders in foreign insurance companies transacting a surety or accident insurance to persons in this Commonwealth (House, No. 629) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Insurance, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the sale of poultry and eggs (House, No. 624) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Public Health, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to change the time for town meetings to November and December (House, No. 569) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Towns, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Resolution relative to the Massachusetts Volunteer Aid Association (House, No. 740) was adopted and sent up for concurrence, as follows :—

Resolved, That the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, appreciating the kind and beneficent services of the Massachusetts Volunteer Aid Association to the sick and wounded soldiers of the Spanish-American war, offer their sincere thanks to the said association, and also to the contributors to the fund which enabled its humane work to be accomplished.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendment to the House Bill to change the name of the Third Parish in Dedham (House, No. 502), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Middleton to aid in the construction of a street railway (House, No. 888) ; and

To authorize towns to appropriate money for free public lectures (House, No. 889) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relative to search warrants authorizing search in night time (House, No. 219) ;

Relative to the change of names of insurance corporations (House, No. 744) ;

Relative to the alewife fishery in Herring or Monument River in the town of Bourne (House, No. 880) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To extend the time for the organization of the Taunton Safe Deposit and Trust Company (House, No. 883) ;

Relative to the business of trust companies (House, No. 884) ; and

To authorize the sale of certain lands acquired for park purposes by the city of Cambridge (House, No. 886) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 194) of James W. Hoitt, second clerk in the office of the Chief of the District Police, for an increase of salary, was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence.

The Bill to impose a tax on fermented liquors (House, No. 651) was recommitted to the committee on Taxation, on motion of Mr. Sullivan of Natick, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by that committee.

The Bill to extend the time within which the Pyncheon Safe Deposit and Trust Company may organize and begin business (House, No. 890) was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, on motion of Mr. Stone of Springfield.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Fall River, at nine minutes before three o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 7, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Davenport of Greenfield, petitions of L. E. Cole and others, G. H. Goddard and others, James S. Grinnell and others, A. M. Lyman and others, Chandler Munn and others and L. B. Packard and others, — severally, in aid of the Bill making an appropriation for expenses in connection with the extermination of contagious diseases among horses, cattle and other animals.

Animals, —
extermination
of contagious
diseases.

Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Henderson of Rowley, petition of R. M. Appleton and others in aid of the petition for legislation to limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston. To the committee on Cities.

City of Boston,
— height of
buildings on
Beacon Hill.

By Mr. Bartlett of Oxford, petition of Alfred M. Chaffee, Netta O. Everett and others; by Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, petition of John B. Washburn, Nellie M. F. Winch and others; by Mr. Dyer of Gardner, petition of Frank T. Sweet, Idell P. Underwood and others; by Mr. Frost of Lawrence, petition of Richard Matthews, Martha Denman and others; by Mr. Huntress of Somerville, petition of William F. Mountfort, Mary S. Howes and others; by Mr. Kavenaugh of Montague, petition of John H. Sears, Alice E. G. Hudson and others; by Mr. Munroe of Worcester, petition of J. Howard Adams, Mary M. Kirby and others; by Mr. Robinson of Springfield, petition of Emil Anderson, Emma Carlson and others; by Mr. Sisson of Lynn, petition of Wilbur B. Adams, Emily J. Smith and others; and by Mr. Williams of Foxborough, petition of Uriah A. Pollard, Florence Duntley and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Transportation
companies, —
weekly rest-day
for employees.

By Mr. Harlow of Whitman, petition of J. T. Richmond and others; by Mr. Haywood of Lynn, petition of Charles L. Merriam and others; and by Mr. Hawes of Weymouth, petition of R. R. Kendall and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Draught
wagons, —
width of tires.

By Mr. Reed of Taunton, petition of William Claflin, Curtis Guild and others in aid of the petition for legislation to regulate the width of tires on draught wagons. To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Board of com-
missioners on
inland fisheries
and game.

By Mr. Johnson of Worcester, petition of Francis H. Dewey and others in aid of the Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game. Placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence: —

Joint commit-
tees, — reports.

Ordered, That the time within which joint committees shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, March 15.

Reports:

Birds, —
protection.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 37) of George H. Mackay for the protection of certain birds;

Somerville
Police Relief
Association.

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 171) of Melville C. Parkhurst and others for the incorporation of the Somerville Police Relief Association [Mr. Luce of Somerville, of the House, dissenting];

Civil process,
— abuse.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 172) of Ralph A. Stewart for legislation to prevent the abuse of civil process;

Civil cases, —
change of venue.

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 132) of Henry C. Whitney for legislation granting a change of venue in civil cases;

Of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State Board of Health on the inspection of food and drugs (Senate, No. 3); and

State Board of Health, — inspection of food and drugs.

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Francis N. Thompson, assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Franklin, for an increase of salary [Mr. Scates of Haverhill, of the House, dissenting];

County of Franklin, — assistant register of probate and insolvency.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A Resolve to provide for procuring special plans of the so-called Bulfinch portion of the State House (Senate, No. 197) (reported on the Governor's address, Senate, No. 1, in part), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

State House, — plans of Bulfinch front.

The annual report of the State Board of Health on water supply and sewerage (Senate, No. 4) was referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

So much thereof as relates to drainage and sewerage, to the committee on Drainage; and

State Board of Health, — water supply and sewerage.

So much thereof as relates to water supply, to the committee on Water Supply.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally referred, in concurrence: —

Petition of J. H. Robbins and others for legislation to restrict the height of buildings on Beacon Hill and protect the neighborhood of the State House and its adjacent grounds. To the committee on Cities.

City of Boston, — height of buildings on Beacon Hill.

Petitions of Joseph F. Carr and others, Samuel P. Darling and others, D. Brainerd Gunn and others, B. T. Livingston and others, George Alcott Phinney and others, George Whitaker and others, Jerome Wood and others, F. T. Harvey and others, Andrew Howes and others, Frank E. Parlin and others, A. M. Pillsbury and others, Thomas Edward Potterton and others, C. W. Rouse and others, Arthur L. Snell and others, C. H. Kimball and others, Maurice Fitzgerald and others, Simon J. Johnson and others, Charles L. F. Paull and others, James A. Small and others, S. C. Smith and others, N. N. Martin and others, Charles B. Batchelor and others, Freeman A. Crafts and others, W. M. Kidder and others, Clifford H.

Public schools, — physiology and hygiene.

Lyman and others, E. H. Thrasher and others, A. C. Townsend and others, N. W. Matthews and others, P. Hildreth Parker and others, James A. Gifford and others, Milton M. Fisher and others, Edward W. Virgin and others, John R. Anderson and others and Preston Gurney and others, — severally, for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Public schools,
— studies;
physiology
and hygiene.

Remonstrances of David C. Reid and others, P. R. Stratton and others, Lovell A. Lesure and others, Francis Batchelder and others, A. M. Eames and others, George W. Jones and others, William F. Hills and others and Charles M. Taylor and others, — severally, against the passage of the Bill relative to studies in the public schools (House, No. 817), and petitions of the same for the passage of Senate Bill No. 41, accompanying the petition of Charles L. Morgan and Mary H. Hunt for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Board of com-
missioners on
inland fisheries
and game.

Petitions of Salem D. Charles and others and Stephen L. Tingley and others, — severally, in aid of the Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game, were placed on file.

Massachusetts
Charitable
Eye and Ear
Infirmary.

A communication from J. Collins Warren and William D. Sohier, in behalf of the managers of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary, inviting the members of the Senate and House of Representatives to attend the formal opening of the new hospital building of said institution on Thursday, March 9, from 10.30 o'clock A.M. to 1 o'clock P.M., was read and placed on file.

Reports of Committees.

Nautical train-
ing ship.

By Mr. Hawes of Weymouth, from the committee on Federal Relations, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Resolutions relative to a nautical training ship (House, No. 626), and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Military Affairs. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

National and
State flags.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of Francis H. Appleton, president of the Massachu-

setts Society Sons of American Revolution, for legislation to prevent the desecration, mutilation or improper use of the flag of the United States or of the State of Massachusetts. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 918) was referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 216) of John F. Simmons for legislation granting additional rights to the Grafton, Upton and Milford Street Railway Company. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Whipple, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Street Railways.

Grafton, Upton
and Milford
Street Railway
Company.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the House should not concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 211) of Charles N. Prouty, president of the American Ballot Company, for legislation legalizing the experimental use of voting machines.

Elections, —
experimental
use of voting
machines.

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the House should not concur with the Senate in its amendment to the House Bill making appropriations for sundry educational expenses. (House, No. 419.)

Appropriations,
— sundry edu-
cational ex-
penses.

By Mr. Kane of Boston, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 560) of the Citizens' Association of Boston for legislation regulating the leasing and selling of city property.

City property,
— lease and
sale.

By Mr. Skinner of Watertown, from the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 468) of Frederick W. Clark and others for legislation relative to political parties which poll at least 1,000 votes for Governor.

Political parties,
— 1,000 votes for
Governor.

By Mr. Davenport of Greenfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 277) of George

Real estate, —
purchase by
certain associa-
tions.

A. Dennett and others for legislation relative to the purchase of real estate by associations incorporated for charitable, educational and other purposes.

Personal property, — conditional sale.

By Mr. Feiker of Northampton, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 193) of Edward P. White for legislation relative to contracts for the conditional sale of personal property.

City of Boston, — local option by districts.

By Mr. Estes of Brockton, from the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 279) of Charles F. Kittredge and others for legislation to provide for local option by districts in the city of Boston.

City of Boston and town of Brookline, — sewage and surface drainage.

By Mr. Dean of Brookline, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 124) of A. J. Bailey that authority be given to the city of Boston and the town of Brookline to continue to put sewage and surface drainage into the stream of the Riverway between said city and town.

Michael Scannell, — bounty.

By Mr. Robinson of Springfield, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 354) of Michael Scannell that he may be paid a bounty from the treasury of the Commonwealth.

Bounties.

By Mr. Goulding of Duxbury, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 393) of Benjamin Gammons for legislation to provide for the payment of certain bounties by the Commonwealth.

Major Winsor M. Ward.

By Mr. Moore of West Stockbridge, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 713) of William L. Ward that Major Winsor M. Ward may be given a retired rank befitting his long and faithful service in the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia. [Mr. Marden of Stoneham, of the House, dissenting.]

Deceased persons, — transportation and burial.

By Mr. Chase of Westborough, from the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 792) of C. James Connelly for legislation relative to the transportation and burial of the dead.

Drawbridges, — equipment and operation.

By Mr. Ross of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 726) of Asa Haley

for legislation relative to the equipment and operation of drawbridges.

By Mr. Upson of Easthampton, from the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 595) of the Williamstown Water Company for authority to hold additional real estate, increase its capital stock and issue bonds.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. James H. Donovan of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to voting lists (House, No. 534) ought not to pass.

By Mr. Bridgeo of Marblehead, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to regulate the taking of clams (House, No. 438) ought not to pass.

By Mr. Battles of Brockton, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the protection of pickerel (House, No. 627) ought not to pass.

By Mr. Howland of Dartmouth, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game (House, No. 335) ought not to pass. [Mr. Bushnell of Sheffield, of the House, dissenting.]

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the taking of bail by certain police officials (House, No. 217) ought not to pass.

By Mr. Selfridge of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to contracts for the conditional sale of personal property (House, No. 295) ought not to pass. [Messrs. Currier of Lawrence and Minton of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to contracts for the conditional sale of personal property (House, No. 756) ought not to pass.

By Mr. Marchant of Gloucester, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to keeping highways free from snow (House, No. 758) ought not to pass.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for

Williamstown
Water Com-
pany.

Voting lists.

Clams.

Pickerel.

Board of com-
missioners on
inland fisheries
and game.

Police officials,
— taking of
bail.

Personal
property, —
conditional
sale.

Id.

Highways, —
snow.

to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the committee on Ways and Means, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for expenses in connection with the consolidation and arrangement of the Public Statutes. (House, No. 905.)

Town of Salisbury and city of Newburyport, — taking of eels and clams from the Merrimac River.

By Mr. Mills of Newburyport, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 251), a Bill relative to the taking of eels and clams from the Merrimac River in the town of Salisbury and the city of Newburyport. (House, No. 906.) [Mr. Joy, of the Senate, dissenting.]

Battle flags.

By Mr. Campbell of Westfield, from the committee on Military Affairs, on the annual report of the Adjutant-General (Pub. Doc. No. 7), in part, a Resolve relative to the disposition of battle flags. (House, No. 912.)

Towns of Canton and Sharon, — boundary line.

By Mr. Crosby of Attleborough, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill to change the boundary line between the towns of Canton and Sharon in the county of Norfolk. (House, No. 355.)

Town of Medway, — water supply.

By Mr. Williams of Foxborough, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 820), a Bill to supply the town of Medway with water. (House, No. 908.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bradford's History of the Plymouth Plantation.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve to provide for printing additional copies of Bradford's History of the Plymouth Plantation ought to pass. (House, No. 910.)

State Library.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill relative to the care of the State Library (House, No. 41) ought to pass.

Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the same committee, that the Bill relative to certain payments to be made to the Worcester Polytechnic Institute (Senate, No. 57) ought to pass.

Truants, — temporary release.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the same committee, that the Bill relative to the temporary release of children under sentence for truancy ought to pass. (House, No. 904.)

Westborough Insane Hospital, — machinery.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide for the purchase of machinery for

the Westborough Insane Hospital ought to pass. (House, No. 911.)

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the same committee, that the Bill relative to juvenile offenders in need of hospital treatment (Senate, No. 168) ought to pass. Juvenile offenders, — hospital treatment.

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, from the same committee, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) in favor of the widow of Joseph Conneton (House, No. 882) ought to pass. Widow of Joseph Conneton.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide for a barn at the Westborough Insane Hospital ought to pass. (House, No. 909.) Westborough Insane Hospital, — barn.

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Bill relative to the construction of a channel from Vineyard Sound to Lake Anthony (Senate, No. 139) ought to pass. Vineyard Sound, — channel to Lake Anthony.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill to relieve certain towns from the support of inmates of certain State institutions (Senate, No. 196) ought to pass. Towns, — support of inmates of State institutions.

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the same committee, that the Bill to authorize transfers from the Lyman School for Boys and from the State Industrial School for Girls to the Hospital Cottages for Children or the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded (Senate, No. 169) ought to pass. Lyman and Industrial Schools, — transfers.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Andrews of Nantucket, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on the annual report of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game (Pub. Doc. No. 25), in part, a Bill relative to fines and forfeitures under the laws protecting fish and game. Fish and game laws, — fines and forfeitures.

By Mr. Weston of Hyde Park, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, on the tenth annual report of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 45), in part, a Bill relative to the expenses incurred under the act to provide for a system of sewage disposal for the Neponset River valley. Neponset River valley system of sewage disposal.

By Mr. Libby of Medford, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) in favor of George E. McNeil (House, No. 296) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. George E. McNeil.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bill Enacted.

Bill enacted.

An engrossed Bill making an appropriation for the reclamation of the Province Lands for the benefit of Provincetown harbor (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

City of Boston,
— loans for
water distri-
bution system.

On motions of Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, the report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 607) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation to authorize said city to issue loans for the extension of its water distribution system, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

Pharmacy.

On motion of Mr. Adams of Melrose, the Bill relative to the practice of pharmacy (House, No. 887) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Railroad
companies, —
platform gates
on cars.

On motions of Mr. Reed of Taunton, the Bill to require railroad companies to equip their cars with platform gates (House, No. 649) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and recommitted to the committee on Railroads, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by that committee.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 605) of Edward D. McVey for legislation increasing the number of places licensed to sell intoxicating liquors in the city of Lowell ; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 701) of Robert L. Parks and others for legislation relative

to the granting of licenses for sale of intoxicating liquors in towns containing two or more villages ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 780) of Sidney Sanders and another for legislation to provide for informing the public of the nature and ingredients of manufactured goods sold or offered for sale in this Commonwealth ; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 781) of Sidney Sanders and another for legislation to provide for informing the public of the names, residences and responsibilities of parties doing business in the Commonwealth ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 473) of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Essex for an increase of salary ; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 194) of James W. Hoitt, second clerk in the office of the Chief of the District Police, for an increase of salary ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 116) of Henry C. Whitney for an amendment of the law for the redemption of real estate under foreclosure, execution or otherwise ; and

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary :

On the fifty-first annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded (Pub. Doc. No. 28) ; and

On the supplement to the second annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the termination of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the city of Boston (House, No. 88) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Liquor Law, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

Relative to park commissioners (House, No. 330) ;

To authorize the city of Worcester to alter and change the grade of Belmont and Shrewsbury streets over land of the Commonwealth (House, No. 478) ;

To incorporate the Bartlett Cemetery Association (House, No. 514) ;

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To authorize stockholders of certain corporations to examine their books and accounts (House, No. 895) ; and

Relative to the inspection of milk (Senate, No. 212) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize towns to appropriate money for free public lectures (House, No. 889) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to abate or refund a portion of the betterments assessed on account of the establishment of parks in said city (House, No. 558) was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a " Bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to abate and refund a part of the betterments assessed on account of the establishment of parks in said city " (House, No. 907), which was read and substituted, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Cambridge Bridge Commission, with the consent of the United States Government, to construct without a draw the bridge to be built between

the cities of Boston and Cambridge (Senate, No. 42) was considered, and after debate the pending amendment, moved by Mr. Ross of Boston, was rejected, by a vote of 35 to 82, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 402) of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Massachusetts and others for legislation to enable women to vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses, was considered.

Mr. Sprague of Quincy moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to enable women to vote in town and city elections upon the question of granting liquor licenses" (House, No. 402).

On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, it was voted that debate be closed at twenty-five minutes before five o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached, and that speeches be limited to five minutes each.

After debate the House refused to substitute the bill, by a vote of 51 to 94, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 46) of B. G. Chapman and others that women may vote in municipal elections, was considered.

Mr. Sprague of Quincy moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill granting municipal suffrage to women" (Senate, No. 46).

After debate the House refused to substitute the bill, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 559) of the Citizens' Association of Boston for legislation to prohibit secret sessions of city councils and boards of aldermen, was taken up, and pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the House,

On motion of Mr. Newton of Everett, at twelve minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 8, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

The consideration of the following order, offered by Mr. Ross of Boston, was postponed until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Dean of Brookline: —

Attorney-General, — opinion relative to recovery of damages caused by the construction of a draw-less bridge over the Charles River between Boston and Cambridge.

Ordered, That the Attorney-General be requested to inform the House of Representatives whether in his opinion the owners of land bordering upon the Charles River above the bridge which is to be erected over said river, in accordance with the provisions of chapter four hundred and sixty-seven of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, as amended by Senate Bill No. 42, now pending, are entitled under the said act and the said amendment, or under the general laws of the Commonwealth, to recover in the courts of the Commonwealth any damages, and if so, what damages, sustained by them in case the said bridge is constructed without a draw.

Report.

County receipts and expenditures, — estimates.

The estimates of county receipts and expenditures (House, No. 310) were received from the Controller of County Accounts and were referred to the committee on Counties and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally presented and referred: —

Cattle, — quarantine and inspection; State Board of Cattle Commissioners, — abolition.

By Mr. Severance of Shelburne, petition of J. H. Howard and others for legislation to repeal the laws relative to the quarantine and inspection of cattle and for the abolition of the State Board of Cattle Commissioners. To the committee on Agriculture.

Public schools, — physiology and hygiene.

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, petition of Calvin Wallis, Anna Foster and others; by Mr. Carrier of Methuen, petition

of Alfred Hodge, Mary LaCarte and others; by Mr. Hariman of Northbridge, petition of John Q. Reynolds, Sarah M. Patterson and others; by Mr. Newton of Roy-alston, petition of J. Milton Partridge and others; by Mr. Simmons of Grafton, petition of Herbert A. Maynard, Jennie L. Gamache and others; by Mr. Smith of Dover, petition of W. C. Hodgkins, Julia A. Morrill and others; and by Mr. Smith of New Marlborough, petition of Abner Rice, Lillie A. Clark and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

By Mr. Adams of Barre, remonstrance of Lillian A. Emerton, William Gussman and others; and by Mr. Smith of New Marlborough, remonstrance of Alfred Bradley and others, — severally, against the passage of the Bill relative to studies in the public schools, and petitions of the same in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Public schools,
— studies;
physiology
and hygiene.

Severally to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Rounseville of Rochester, petition of John M. Allen and others in aid of the petition for legislation to provide that the cost of relocating and widening the old bridge over the Acushnet River between the city of New Bedford and the town of Fairhaven shall not be borne by any towns or cities outside of the county of Bristol. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Acushnet River,
— cost of
relocating
and widening
the old bridge
between New
Bedford and
Fairhaven.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petitions of William R. Richards and other members of the Suffolk bar and William D. T. Trefry and other members of the Essex bar; and by Mr. Stone of Springfield, petitions of Robert E. Burke, Arthur L. Huntington and other members of the Essex bar, — severally, in aid of the Bill to provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws.

Province Laws.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Ross of Boston, petition of Post 92, G. A. R., in aid of the petition for legislation to provide for a record of the Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the war of the rebellion. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
records.

By Mr. Gilpatric of Boston, petition of Eugene C. Webster and others; by Mr. Grimes of Reading, peti-

Transportation
companies, —
weekly rest-day
for employees.

tion of Dudley P. Bailey and others; and by Mr. Wood of Woburn, petition of Carl S. Dow and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Westborough
Insane Hospi-
tal, — annual
report.

A report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the fourteenth annual report of the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital (Pub. Doc. No. 30), accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

International
Trust Company.

To authorize the International Trust Company to hold additional real estate (Senate, No. 75) (reported on a petition); and

City of Somer-
ville, — alms-
house.

To authorize the city of Somerville to take land for an almshouse (Senate, No. 219) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, House, No. 525);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

City of Melrose,
— charter.

The House Bill to incorporate the city of Melrose (House, No. 848) came down, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

Petitions of Wilbur B. Adams and others, A. J. Pierce and others, William D. True and others, George L. Hibbard and others, W. F. Lewford and others, Fred J. Lindberg and others, Henry Park and others, D. Sanford Hall and others, George Marks and others, Alvah A. Shumway and others, Richard Clapp and others, Charles I. Gunn and others, Ephraim Searle and others, Neil E. Herman and others, Roland A. Nichols and others, William L. Haskel and others, Ernest Hermann and others and C. C. Tilley and others, — severally, for

amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Remonstrances of Jane E. Damon and others, L. A. Fales and others and S. A. Turner and others, — severally, against the passage of the Bill relative to studies in the public schools (House, No. 817), and petitions of the same for the passage of Senate Bill No. 41, accompanying the petition of Charles L. Morgan and Mary H. Hunt for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Public schools,
— studies;
physiology
and hygiene.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Petition of Charles Cowley and others in aid of the Bill to provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Province Laws.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Bresnahan of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 467) of Frank M. Forbush and others for legislation relative to caucuses other than those of political parties.

Caucuses other
than those of
political parties.

By Mr. Douglass of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 576) of Jerome F. Manning for legislation to protect attorneys and counsellors-at-law from collusive and fraudulent settlements by and between their clients.

Attorneys and
counsellors-at-
law, — settle-
ments between
clients.

By Mr. Davis of Cambridge, from the committee on Street Railways, no legislation necessary, on the thirtieth annual report of the Board of Railroad Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 14) relating to street railways.

Board of
Railroad Com-
missioners, —
street railways.

By Mr. Gilpatric of Boston, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 732) of H. C. Bliss for legislation relative to the use of street railway tracks.

Street railway
tracks.

By Mr. Newton of Everett, from the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 360) of the mayor of the city of Lynn for legislation to authorize cities and towns to receive partial payments of taxes on undivided pieces of real estate.

Real estate, —
partial pay-
ments of taxes.

By Mr. Kavanaugh of Montague, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accom-

Literary and
scientific insti-
tutions, — ex-

emption from
taxation.

panying bill, House, No. 497) of Clarence M. Smith and others for legislation to limit to State taxes the exemption of the properties of literary and scientific institutions. [Mr. Prindle of Williamstown, of the House, dissenting.]

Taxation, —
property of
educational
institutions.

By Mr. Heath of Northborough, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 212) of Thomas F. Pratt and others for legislation relative to the taxation of certain property of educational institutions.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Foreign corpo-
rations, — com-
plete returns.

By Mr. Newton of Everett, from the committee on Taxation, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to require complete returns from foreign companies doing business in this Commonwealth (House, No. 293) ought not to pass. [Messrs. Sullivan of Natick and Prindle of Williamstown, of the House, dissenting.] Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Gypsy moth, —
extermination;
brown-tail
moth, — sup-
pression.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth and suppressing the brown-tail moth ought to pass. (House, No. 915.) [Mr. Paton of Leominster dissenting.]

George E.
McNeil.

By Mr. Paton of Leominster, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of George E. McNeil ought to pass. (House, No. 916.)

Bulfinch State
House, —
special plans.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide for procuring special plans of the so-called Bulfinch portion of the State House (Senate, No. 197) ought to pass.

Supreme Judi-
cial and Supe-
rior courts, —
retirement of
justices.

By Mr. McIsaac of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill to provide for the retirement of justices of the Supreme Judicial and Superior courts (House, No. 546) ought to pass.

Minors, —
marriages.

By Mr. Haywood of Lynn, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to marriages of minors (House, No. 745) ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Estes of Brockton, the report of the board of commissioners on the boundary line between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the State of New Hampshire (House, No. 860) was taken from the table, and was referred to the committee on Federal Relations and sent up for concurrence.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts and State of New Hampshire, — boundary line.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To establish a sitting of the Superior Court for the county of Bristol in the city of Fall River ;

Bills enacted.

To authorize the Trustees of Donations to the Protestant Episcopal Church to hold additional real and personal estate ;

Relative to the inspection of buildings ;

To provide for the better enforcement of the laws relative to the public health ;

To change the name of the Third Parish in Dedham ;

To enable the Metropolitan Park Commission to restore and enlarge the bath house and to provide additional facilities at Revere Beach Reservation ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To extend the time for building the Boston, Quincy and Fall River Bicycle Railway (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the mother of James T. Mahony, Jr. (which originated in the House), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders of the Day.

Mr. Ross of Boston moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to authorize the Cambridge Bridge Commission, with the consent of the United States Government, to construct without a draw the bridge to be built between the cities of Boston and Cambridge (Senate, No. 42), which motion, after debate, was lost.

Charles River, — bridge between Boston and Cambridge.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

Appropriations,
— sundry
educational
expenses.

On motion of Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, the Bill making appropriations for sundry educational expenses (House, No. 419) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule.

The House refused to concur with the Senate in its amendment to section 1, striking out, in line 33, the words "forty-one thousand three," and inserting in place thereof the words "thirty-nine thousand five."

There being no objection, Mr. Carleton moved to amend the bill in section 1 by striking out, in line 41, the words "twenty-five thousand three," and inserting in place thereof the words "twenty-three thousand five."

The amendment was adopted and the bill was returned to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment adopted by the House. Rule 15 was suspended, on further motion of Mr. Carleton.

City of Boston,
— local option
by districts.

On motions of Mr. Stewart of Boston, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 279) of Charles F. Kittredge and others for legislation to provide for local option by districts in the city of Boston, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

Personal prop-
erty, — condi-
tional sale.

On motions of Mr. Swift of Tisbury, the Bill relative to contracts for the conditional sale of personal property (House, No. 756) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Deceased per-
sons, — trans-
portation and
burial.

On motions of Mr. Estes of Brockton, the report of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 792) of C. James Connelly for legislation relative to the transportation and burial of the dead, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and recommitted.

Corporations, —
examination of
books and
accounts by
stockholders.

On motion of Mr. Odlin of Andover, the Bill to authorize stockholders of certain corporations to examine their books and accounts (House, No. 895) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the

question on passing it to be engrossed, it was recommitted to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on further motion of the same gentleman.

On motions of Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, the Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game (House, No. 335) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 560) of the Citizens' Association of Boston for legislation regulating the leasing and selling of city property ;

Orders of the day.

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 468) of Frederick W. Clark and others for legislation relative to political parties which poll at least 1,000 votes for Governor ;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 193) of Edward P. White for legislation relative to contracts for the conditional sale of personal property ; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 277) of George A. Dennett and others for legislation relative to the purchase of real estate by associations incorporated for charitable, educational and other purposes ;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 124) of A. J. Bailey that authority be given to the city of Boston and the town of Brookline to continue to put sewage and surface drainage into the stream of the Riverway between said city and town ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 354) of Michael Scannell that he may be paid a bounty from the treasury of the Commonwealth ;

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 393) of Benjamin Gammons for legislation to provide for the payment of certain bounties by the Commonwealth; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 713) of William L. Ward that Major Winsor M. Ward may be given a retired rank befitting his long and faithful service in the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 722) of Charles Megan for legislation relative to bakeries and persons employed therein;

Of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 726) of Asa Haley for legislation relative to the equipment and operation of drawbridges; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 595) of the Williamstown Water Company for authority to hold additional real estate, increase its capital stock and issue bonds;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 37) of George H. Mackay for the protection of certain birds;

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 171) of Melville C. Parkhurst and others for the incorporation of the Somerville Police Relief Association;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 172) of Ralph A. Stewart for legislation to prevent the abuse of civil process;

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 132) of Henry C. Whitney for legislation granting a change of venue in civil cases;

Of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State Board of Health on the inspection of food and drugs (Senate, No. 3); and

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Francis N. Thomp-

son, assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Franklin, for an increase of salary ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to voting lists (House, No. 534) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Election Laws, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

To regulate the taking of clams (House, No. 438) ; and
Relative to the protection of pickerel (House, No. 627) ;

Were severally rejected, as recommended, in each case, by the committee on Fisheries and Game, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to prohibit the setting up of stock tickers in premises licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors (House, No. 749) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Liquor Law, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to keeping highways free from snow (House, No. 758) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Roads and Bridges, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 211) of Charles N. Prouty, president of the American Ballot Company, for legislation legalizing the experimental use of voting machines, was referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of said rule, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

Relative to the care of the State Library (House, No. 41) ;

To change the boundary line between the towns of Canton and Sharon in the county of Norfolk (House, No. 355) ;

To supply the town of Medway with water (House, No. 908) ;

Relative to certain payments to be made to the Worcester Polytechnic Institute (Senate, No. 57) ;

Relative to the construction of a channel from Vineyard Sound to Lake Anthony (Senate, No. 139) ;

Relative to juvenile offenders in need of hospital treatment (Senate, No. 168) ;

To authorize transfers from the Lyman School for Boys and from the State Industrial School for Girls to the Hospital Cottages for Children or the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded (Senate, No. 169) ; and

To relieve certain town from the support of inmates of certain State institutions (Senate, No. 196) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of the widow of Joseph Conneton (House, No. 882) ;

To provide for a barn at the Westborough Insane Hospital (House, No. 909) ;

To provide for printing additional copies of Bradford's History of the Plymouth Plantation (House, No. 910) ;

To provide for the purchase of machinery for the Westborough Insane Hospital (House, No. 911) ; and

Relative to the disposition of battle flags (House, No. 912) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Worcester to change the grade of Belmont and Shrewsbury streets over land of the Commonwealth (House, No. 478) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To provide for the removal of the remains of the dead from the old burial lots in Malden (House, No. 675) ;

To incorporate the Needham Cemetery Association (House, No. 710) ;

To extend the time for the construction of the railroad of the Plymouth County Railroad Company and for other purposes (House, No. 892) ;

To authorize the city of Malden to incur indebtedness for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law (House, No. 893) ; and

To authorize the proprietors of the Catholic Cemetery in Dorchester to hold additional real and personal estate (House, No. 894) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Bartlett Cemetery Association (House, No. 514) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, adding the following new section: "*Section 7.* This act shall take effect upon its passage."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend the charter of the South Middleborough Cemetery Association (House, No. 843) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, adding the following new section: "*Section 2.* This act shall take effect upon its passage."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the town of Middleton to aid in the construction of a street railway (House, No. 888) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 914), which was read and substituted, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 559) of the Citizens' Association of Boston for legislation to prohibit secret sessions of city councils and boards of aldermen, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered.

Mr. Carey of Haverhill moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to prohibit secret sessions of city councils and boards of aldermen in the cities of the Commonwealth" (House, No. 559). After debate the House refused to substitute the bill, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of constructing sewers (House, No. 885) was amended in section 1, on motion of Mr. Keith of Cambridge, by striking out, in line 13, the word "twenty," and inserting in place thereof the word "thirty," and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to total losses upon fire insurance policies (House, No. 389) was considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Russell of Boston, the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Insurance, was negatived, by a vote of 41 to 107, and it was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to extend the time within which the Pyncheon Safe Deposit and Trust Company may organize and begin business (House, No. 890) was postponed for consideration until Friday, on motion of Mr. Paton of Leominster, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading.

The petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 187) of James F. Shaw and others for incorporation for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating railroads and street railways and electric power and lighting plants in the various States, territories and colonies of the United States and in foreign countries, was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, pending the question on concurring with the Senate in the suspension of the 9th joint rule.

The Bill to amend the charter of the city of Chelsea (House, No. 896) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Willard of Chelsea moved to amend section 3 by striking out, in lines 4 and 5 and in lines 12 and 13, respectively, the words "by ballot."

Mr. Spooner of Chelsea moved to amend by inserting after section 8 the following new section: —

Section 9. Section thirty-two of said chapter is hereby amended by inserting in the fourth line, after the words "so appointed," the words "under this section;" also by striking out in the fifth line the words "subject to the approval of the board of aldermen," and by striking out in the eighth line thereof the words "when so approved;" also by inserting in the seventh line thereof, after the word "assign," the words "in writing," so as to read as follows: — *Section 32.* The mayor shall appoint, subject to confirmation of the board of aldermen, all the officers of the city, unless their election or appointment is herein otherwise provided for. Any officer so appointed under this section may be removed by the mayor for such cause as he shall deem sufficient and shall assign in writing in his order of removal, and the removal shall take effect

upon the filing of the order in the office of the city clerk and the service of a copy of such order upon the officer removed, either personally or at his last or usual place of residence. The city clerk shall keep such order on file and subject to public inspection.

The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading. On further motions of Mr. Willard, the rules were suspended and the bill was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the taking of bail by certain police officials (House, No. 217) was postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, on motion of Mr. Howland of Chelsea, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill relative to contracts for the conditional sale of personal property (House, No. 295) was considered, and after debate was rejected, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, by a vote of 43 to 41.

Mr. Driscoll of Chicopee raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 98 members were present.

Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston moved that the House adjourn, which motion was adopted, and accordingly, at fourteen minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 9, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Springfield, —

House of Representatives, —
hour of adjournment.

Ordered, That, on and after Thursday, March 9, when the House is in session at twenty minutes before five o'clock in the afternoon, the Speaker shall declare an adjournment.

Attorney-General, —
opinion relative to recovery of damages caused by the construction of a draw-
less bridge over the Charles River between Boston and Cambridge.

The order requesting the Attorney-General to inform the House whether in his opinion the owners of land bordering upon the Charles River above the bridge which is to be erected over said river are entitled to recover damages sustained by them in case the said bridge is constructed without a draw, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, was withdrawn by Mr. Ross of Boston, there being no objection.

Petitions.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally presented and referred : —

Public schools, —
physiology and hygiene.

By Mr. Bushnell of Sheffield, petition of L. C. M. Adams, M. Luella Lee and others ; by Mr. Cook of Milford, petition of Frank E. Lyford, Dora M. Whitney and others ; by Mr. Coolidge of Cambridge, petition of Irving G. Noyes, Louise Smith and others ; by Mr. Crosby of Barnstable, petition of William C. Davis, Helen A. Warren and others ; by Mr. Davis of Cambridge, petition of F. P. Narber, Agnes Temple and others ; by Mr. Dyer of Gardner, petition of John W. Hird, Frances J. Smith and others ; by Mr. Eddy of West Bridgewater, petition of Charles E. Tisdale, Sarah R. Heath and others ; by Mr. Fitts of Somerville, petition of Herbert C. Bucknam, Etta M. Thorpe and others ; by Mr. Harlow of Whitman, petition of James A. Maguire, Mary S. Ilsley and others ; by Mr. Kyle of Plymouth,

petition of Haig Adadourian, Elizabeth M. Holmes and others; by Mr. Libby of Medford, petition of the Middlesex County Woman's Christian Temperance Union; by Mr. Persons of Maynard, petition of Milton B. Hagar, Nellie S. Loring and others; by Mr. Simmons of Grafton, petition of John B. Mellen, M. Josephine Estabrook and others; by Mr. Stone of Sharon, petition of Henri E. Davenport, Mary E. Tippet and others; by Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, petition of Hugh Ramsay, Sarah A. Benson and others; by Mr. Wallace of Clinton, petition of Fred W. Burpee, Alice J. Davis and others; and by Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, petition of Edmund Hersey, 2d, Margaret E. Ward and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, remonstrance of Edwin S. Small and others; by Mr. Cole of Beverly, remonstrance of F. J. Van Horn and others; and by Mr. Ray of Ashland, remonstrance of Casson M. Brooks, May L. Allen and others, — severally, against the passage of the Bill relative to studies in the public schools, and petitions of the same in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Public schools,
— studies;
physiology
and hygiene.

Severally to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, petition of F. J. Van Horn and others; by Mr. Dean of Cheshire, petition of Alford B. Penniman and others; by Mr. Hawes of Weymouth, petition of M. C. Dizer and others; by Mr. Keyou of Medford, petition of Joseph J. Parry and others; by Mr. Haywood of Lynn, petition of Isaac K. Harris and others; by Mr. Learoyd of Danvers, petition of Webster F. Putnam and others; by Mr. Litchfield of Lunenburg, petition of H. A. Pollard and others; and by Mr. Root of Boston, petition of Richard B. Grover and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies.

Transportation
companies, —
weekly rest-day
for employees.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Dalton of Salem, petition of officers of the Essex Institute for legislation to authorize said institute to hold additional real and personal estate. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended,

Essex Institute,
— real and per-
sonal estate.

which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Gypsy moth.

Mr. Wood of Woburn presented a petition of William F. Davis and others in aid of the Bill making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth, and the same was placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

City of Boston,
— park com-
missioners.

A report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 767) of J. Henry Brooks for legislation to ratify and confirm certain action of the board of park commissioners of the city of Boston, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Cities, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Reports :

City of Boston,
— reduction of
salaries by the
city council.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 119) of the mayor of the city of Boston that the city council of said city be authorized to reduce any salaries paid by said city, the amounts of which are fixed by statute ;

City of Boston,
— department
of architecture.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 157) of Robert S. Peabody for legislation to establish a department of architecture in the city of Boston ; and

Metropolitan
Sewerage Com-
missioners, —
annual report.

Of the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the tenth annual report of the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 45) ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

City of
Somerville, —
charter.

To revise the charter of the city of Somerville (Senate, No. 209) (reported on a petition and on a bill, House, No. 268, introduced on leave) ; and

City of
Somerville, —
parkway.

To authorize the city of Somerville to lay out and maintain a parkway (Senate, No. 214) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, House, No. 524) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Special com-
missioners.

The House Bill relative to special commissioners (House, No. 869) come down passed to be engrossed, in concur-

rence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

A Resolve relative to an investigation of the production and distribution of milk (Senate, No. 218) (reported on a petition, with accompanying resolve, House, No. 608) came down referred to the committees on Public Health and Agriculture, sitting jointly, in which reference the House concurred.

Milk, —
production and
distribution.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Petitions of George W. Burr and Benjamin Andrews and others, Samuel T. Crosby and Frank Hodgkins and others, Henry W. Cushing and Mrs. G. R. Ripley and others, Edmund Hersey, 2d, and William Cushing and others, C. A. Southworth and Ella J. Ripley and others, Mary E. Sprague and Viola Bicknell and others; W. C. Bray and others, Charles F. Brown and Wilbert Morgrage and others, Charles K. Darling and Henry C. Young and others; Edward B. Brown and Nathan Stahl and others, Henry H. Buck and Newton W. Lamson and others, William E. Putnam and J. P. Tucker and others, Moses N. Arnold and others, William B. Arnold and others, Davis B. Clapp and C. A. Blanchard and others, Samuel B. Noyes and others and John Streiferd and John E. Hunt and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation.

Nantasket
Beach, — public
reservation.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Petition of F. A. Mason and others in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies. To the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Transportation
companies, —
weekly rest-day
for employees.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill relative to the appointment of assistant watchmen at the State Prison, be recommitted to the committee on Prisons. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, and the bill was recommitted.

State Prison, —
assistant watch-
men.

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, from the committee on Ways and Means (sitting jointly with the committee on

George Bent, —
annuity.

Ways and Means on the part of the Senate), leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 805) of C. J. McPherson and others that an increased annuity may be allowed George Bent of Framingham.

Dogs, —
licenses.

By Mr. Adams of Barre, from the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 660) of Charles S. Curtis for legislation relative to the licensing of dogs.

State Board of
Agriculture, —
prizes at fairs
for breeding of
live stock.

By Mr. Shaw of Raynham, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 475) of Francis H. Appleton for legislation to authorize the State Board of Agriculture to offer prizes at agricultural fairs for the encouragement of the breeding of a high quality of live stock.

Free Public
Library Com-
missioners, —
annual report.

By Mr. Flanagan of Boston, from the committee on Libraries, no legislation necessary, on the ninth annual report of the Board of Free Public Library Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 44).

Intoxicating
liquors, — sale
near railroad
stations.

By Mr. Dumond of Boston, from the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 777) of C. S. Pratt for legislation to prevent the indiscriminate granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the immediate vicinity of railroad stations.

Charles River,
— dam.

By Mr. Keith of Cambridge, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, at the request of the petitioner, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 706) of Edward R. Coffin for legislation to repeal chapter 531 of the Acts of the year 1898 authorizing a dam across the Charles River.

Cigarettes and
cigarette
tobacco.

By Mr. Turner of Malden, from the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 280) of Clayton S. Cooper and others for legislation to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes and cigarette tobacco.

Third District
Court of
Eastern Middle-
sex, — salary
of clerk.

By Mr. Wells of Peabody, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 247) of the clerk of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex for an increase of salary.

Police court of
Fitchburg, —
salaries of jus-
tice and clerk.

By Mr. Sheppard of Quincy, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 30) of the justice and clerk of the police court of Fitchburg that their salaries may be increased.

By Mr. Root of Boston, from the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 180) of Horatio G. Curtis and another for legislation to prevent the double taxation of owners of merchandise held as security for debts.

Merchandise held for debt, — double taxation of owners.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to establish the salary of the assistant engineer at the State House (House, No. 725) ought not to pass.

State House, — salary of assistant engineer.

By Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, from the committee on Insurance, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations (House, No. 630) ought not to pass.

Fraternal beneficiary organizations.

By Mr. Dumond of Boston, from the committee on the Liquor Law, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to decrease the number of licenses in the city of Boston (House, No. 633) ought not to pass.

City of Boston, — number of liquor licenses.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. Feiker of Northampton, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the legal rate of interest (House, No. 457) be referred to the next General Court.

Interest, — legal rate.

By Mr. Dean of Wakefield, from the committee on Taxation, that the Bill (taken from the files of last year) imposing a tax on legacies, successions and certain other transfers and providing for the distribution of the proceeds of the same (House, No. 519) be referred to the next General Court.

Taxation, — legacies, successions and other transfers.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the reference of the bill to the next General Court.

By Mr. Paton of Leominster, from the committee on Ways and Means (sitting jointly with the committee on Ways and Means on the part of the Senate), on a petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 205), a Resolve in favor of John S. Gillis. (House, No. 922.)

John S. Gillis.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill relative to the tabulation of statistics of parent nativity in Boston (House, No.

City of Boston, — statistics of parent nativity.

528) ought to pass, in the form of a resolve, with a similar title. (House, No. 923.)

Second Church
in Salem.

By Mr. Davis of Amesbury, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Proprietors of the Independent Congregational Church in Barton Square in Salem, the East Church Society in Salem and the Second Church in Salem to unite (House, No. 356.)

Taxes and pub-
lic debts, —
partial pay-
ments.

By Mr. Newton of Everett, from the committee on Taxation, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 213), a Bill to provide for partial payments of taxes and public debts. (House, No. 921.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Alfred Bick-
ford.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve in favor of Alfred Bickford ought to pass. (House, No. 924.)

Town of Rut-
land.

By Mr. Paton of Leominster, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the town of Rutland (House, No. 492) ought to pass.

Christopher
Harrison.

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Christopher Harrison (House, No. 712) ought to pass.

Thomas W.
Mack.

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Thomas W. Mack (House, No. 248) ought to pass.

Jurors, —
travelling
expenses.

By Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, from the committee on Counties on the part of the House, that the Bill relative to the travelling expenses of jurors ought to pass. (House, No. 920.)

Town of
Amesbury, —
maintenance
and repair of
bridges on the
Merrimac
River.

By Mr. Bugbee of Monson, from the same committee, that the Bill to reimburse the town of Amesbury for the maintenance and repair of certain bridges on the Merrimac River ought to pass. (House, No. 919.)

Taxation, —
legacies,
successions and
other transfers.

By Mr. Dean of Wakefield, from the committee on Taxation, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to impose a tax on legacies, successions and certain other transfers and to provide for the distribution of the proceeds of the same (House, No. 654) ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

District Court
of Northern
Berkshire, —
salary of clerk.

By Mr. Lowe of New Bedford, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 415), a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the District Court of Northern Berkshire.

By Mr. Sheppard of Quincy, from the same committee, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 515), a Bill to establish the salary of the assistant clerk of the police court of Lowell.

Police court of Lowell, — salary of assistant clerk.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Counties on the part of the House.

By Mr. Crouch of Northampton, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition (with accompanying resolve, Senate, No. 161), a Resolve in favor of the Carney Hospital.

Carney Hospital.

By Mr. Leslie of Waltham, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary. (House, No. 361.)

Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary.

By Mr. Luce of Somerville, from the committee on Taxation, on a petition, a Bill to provide for the equalization of tax burdens. (House, No. 598.) [Mr. Washburn, of the Senate, and Messrs. Newton of Everett and Crosby of Arlington, of the House, dissenting.]

Tax burdens, — equalization.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to sales of real estate by guardians ;

Relative to the preparation of voting lists ;

Relative to nomination papers and conventions ; and

To authorize the town of Arlington to refund a part of its indebtedness ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Bills enacted.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. Adams of Melrose, the Bill to incorporate the city of Melrose (House, No. 848) was discharged from the orders of the day and considered, under a suspension of the rule. The House concurred with the Senate in its amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly. Rule 15 was suspended, on further motion of Mr. Adams.

City of Melrose.

On motions of Mr. Newton of Everett, the report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 360) of the mayor of the city of Lynn for legislation to authorize cities and

Real estate, — partial payments of taxes.

towns to receive partial payments of taxes on undivided pieces of real estate, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

**Milk, —
inspection.**

On motion of Mr. Dean of Wakefield, the Bill relative to the inspection of milk (Senate, No. 212) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was postponed for consideration until Monday next, on further motion of the same gentleman.

**Park com-
missioners.**

On motion of Mr. Brown of Weston, the Bill relative to park commissioners (House, No. 330) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until Monday next, on further motion of the same gentleman.

**Gypsy moth, —
extermination;
brown-tail
moth, — sup-
pression.**

On motion of Mr. Morse of Belchertown, the Bill making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth and suppressing the brown-tail moth (House, No. 915) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time.

Pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, the same gentleman moved that it be postponed for consideration until Tuesday next.

Mr. Reed of Taunton moved that it be postponed for consideration until Wednesday next.

The motion of Mr. Reed prevailed, and the bill was accordingly postponed until Wednesday next.

**Foreign corpo-
rations, — com-
plete returns.**

On motions of Mr. Newton of Everett, the Bill to require complete returns from foreign companies doing business in this Commonwealth (House, No. 293) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Wednesday, March 22, to be placed first in the orders of the day, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Taxation.

Laundries.

On motions of Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, the Bill relative to laundries and persons employed therein (House, No. 222) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and recommitted to the

committee on Public Health, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by that committee.

On motion of Mr. Chapple of Salem, the Bill relative to auctioneers (House, No. 716) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was recommitted to the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on further motion of the same gentleman. Auctioneers.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 467) of Frank M. Forbush and others for legislation relative to caucuses other than those of political parties ; Orders of the day.

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 576) of Jerome F. Manning for legislation to protect attorneys and counsellors-at-law from collusive and fraudulent settlements by and between their clients ;

Of the committee on Street Railways, no legislation necessary, on the thirtieth annual report of the Board of Railroad Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 14) relating to street railways ;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 732) of H. C. Bliss for legislation relative to the use of street railway tracks ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw :

On the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 212) of Thomas F. Pratt and others for legislation relative to the taxation of certain property of educational institutions ; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 497) of Clarence M. Smith and others for legislation to limit to State taxes the exemption of the properties of literary and scientific institutions ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the fourteenth annual report of the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital (Pub. Doc. No. 30) was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To provide for the retirement of justices of the Supreme Judicial and Superior courts (House, No. 546) ;

Relative to the temporary release of children under sentence for truancy (House, No. 904) ;

Making an appropriation for expenses in connection with the consolidation and arrangement of the Public Statutes (House, No. 905) ; and

To authorize the city of Somerville to take land for an almshouse (Senate, No. 219) ; and

The Resolve in favor of George E. McNeil (House, No. 916) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relative to the care of the State Library (House, No. 41) ;

To change the boundary line between the towns of Canton and Sharon in the county of Norfolk (House, No. 355) ;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of constructing sewers (House, No. 885) ; and

To supply the town of Medway with water (House, No. 908) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of the widow of Joseph Conneton (House, No. 882) ;

To provide for a barn at the Westborough Insane Hospital (House, No. 909) ;

To provide for printing additional copies of Bradford's History of the Plymouth Plantation (House, No. 910) ;

To provide for the purchase of machinery for the Westborough Insane Hospital (House, No. 911) ; and

Relative to the disposition of battle flags (House, No. 912) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to certain payments to be made to the Worcester Polytechnic Institute (Senate, No. 57) ;

Relative to the construction of a channel from Vineyard Sound to Lake Anthony (Senate, No. 139) ;

To authorize transfers from the Lyman School for Boys and from the State Industrial School for Girls to the Hospital Cottages for Children or the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded (Senate, No. 169) ; and

To relieve certain towns from the support of inmates of certain State institutions (Senate, No. 196) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to juvenile offenders in need of hospital treatment (Senate, No. 168) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 918), which was read and substituted and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to contracts for the conditional sale of personal property (House, No. 295), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary.

After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville.

On the question on the rejection of the bill, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Driscoll of Chicopee, and the roll being called the bill was rejected, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The vote was 88 yeas to 79 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.
Adams, Charles H.
Ainsworth, Wilfred
Apsey, Albert S.
Blood, Charles H.
Briggs, Clarence A.
Burgess, Albert H.
Campbell, Andrew
Carleton, George H.
Chandler, Leonard B.
Chase, Henry L.
Conwell, Robert E.
Corey, Charles V.
Crosby, Aaron S.
Crosby, Alfred R.

Messrs. Crouch, Charles S.
Dalton, J. Frank
Davenport, William A.
Dean, Benjamin C.
Donovan, Edward J.
Drake, Frederic P.
Dudley, George J.
Dumond, John B.
Ellsworth, J. Lewis
Farwell, Frederick W.
Feiker, William H.
Fisher, George E.
Folsom, Albert T.
Francis, Frank W.
Gilpatric, Fred C.

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Messrs. Goulding, Albert M.	Messrs. Rounseville, Albert
Heath, Guilford P.	Sands, Edward P.
Henderson, Francis D.	Schofield, William
Howland, Willard	Selfridge, George S.
Johnson, Charles R.	Shaw, Nathan W.
King, Charles F.	Sheppard, Eben W.
Kyle, William S.	Simmons, Arthur A.
Learoyd, Addison P.	Sisson, Robert S.
Leland, Francis	Skillings, William E.
Leslie, George F.	Skinner, Henry R.
Litchfield, James A.	Smith, Allen F.
Lombard, Edward M.	Spooner, Wallace
Love, Joseph P.	Stalker, Hugh L.
Luce, Robert	Stanley, Benjamin F.
Mansfield, Matthew M.	Stewart, Joseph I.
McCarthy, Jeremiah F.	Stone, Silas A.
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.	Stone, Willmore B.
Mead, Edward C.	Sullivan, Timothy F.
Munroe, John P.	Swift, William S.
Myers, James J.	Turtle, William
Neal, David	Twombly, Horatio F.
Newton, Phinehas S.	Upton, Charles H.
Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.	Wallace, S. Ives
Porter, Thomas F.	Watson, Walter S.
Prindle, John F.	Wheeler, William D.
Ramsdell, Charles H.	Whipple, John J.
Reed, Silas D.	White, Horace C.
Robinson, Lewis D.	Williams, George F.
Root, Albert B.	Wood, Alva S.

NAYS.

Messrs. Andrews, Richard F., Jr.	Messrs. Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
Balcom, George	Dillon, Thomas J.
Battles, David W.	Donahue, Thomas
Bennett, Frank P.	Donovan, Eugene E.
Bridgeo, William	Donovan, James H.
Brooks, Charles C.	Dooling, Thomas J.
Brown, Willard M.	Douglass, John J.
Carey, James F.	Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
Clerke, Charles S.	Favor, John
Conroy, Thomas A.	Flanagan, John J.
Cook, Clifford A.	Foster, Frank A.
Crosby, J. Howell	Frost, Archie N.
Cullinane, Richard	Gartland, John J., Jr.
Currier, Guy W.	Hagberg, John G.
Daly, William	Hancock, Portus B.
Davis, Daniel W.	Harlow, Franklin P.
Dean, Charles A.	Harriman, Charles H.
Dean, George Z.	Harvell, Elisha T.

Messrs. Harvie, Robert B.	Messrs. Paton, Alexander S.
Howard, Robert	Persons, Charles H.
Jones, Michael B.	Pike, William T.
Kane, Daniel J.	Powers, John A.
Kells, William, Jr.	Queeney, James H.
Keyon, Nicholas B.	Quigley, William J.
King, Randolph V.	Ray, Albert H.
Lanergan, John P.	Ross, Leonard W.
Lowe, John H.	Ross, Samuel
Mackey, Thomas	Salter, William R.
Mahoney, David A.	Scates, Louis M.
Mahony, Frederick C.	Severance, Joseph C.
Marchant, Charles S.	Smith, Charles G.
Marchesseault, Eugene D.	Sparks, John T.
McIsaac, Daniel V.	Sullivan, Michael J.
McLoughlin, William I.	Tatman, Charles T.
Mills, Charles P.	Toland, John I.
Minihan, Cornelius	Tolman, William
Minton, John M.	Toomey, John J.
Moore, James S.	Twomey, Edmund J.
Morse, Merrick A.	Whelan, John B.
Odlin, William	

88 yeas ; 79 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Smith, Charles F. A.	Messrs. Lomasney, Martin M.*
Saunders, Charles R.*	Montgomery, James A.
Newton, H. Huestis	Hopewell, William*
Coolidge, Daniel S.*	Trow, Charles E.
Fitts, Frank E.*	Grant, Oliver S.
Cluer, Arthur H.	Brigham, William M. *
Hayes, William H. I.	Fitzgerald, William T. A.*
Ames, Butler	Bugbee, Nelson A.*
Morrison, Andrew H.	Murphy, Mortimer D. A.*
Turner, Henry E.	Green, Thomas H.*
Harwood, George F.	Mellen, James H.*
Judd, William E.	Eddy, Curtis *
Miller, Charles H.*	Gaddis, Michael E.

* Present.

The Bill relative to the rate of interest on overdue taxes (House, No. 761) was considered, and after debate the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on

Taxation, was negatived, and it was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 187) of James F. Shaw and others for incorporation for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating railroads and street railways and electric power and lighting plants in the various States, territories and colonies of the United States and in foreign countries, was considered, and after debate the House concurred with the Senate in the suspension of the 9th joint rule, as recommended by the committee on Rules, by a vote of 88 to 34, and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

The Bill relative to the taking of eels and clams from the Merrimac River in the town of Salisbury and the city of Newburyport (House, No. 906) was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day, on motion of Mr. Stanley of Newburyport.

At twenty minutes before five o'clock, under the standing order, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 10, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Bill Ordered Printed as a House Document.

On motion of Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, a Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game, was ordered printed as a House document. (House, No. 926.)

Board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Bushnell of Sheffield, petition of James Bird, Elizabeth A. Sobin and others; by Mr. Chadwick of Newton, petition of Herbert A. Pike, M. Teresa Rowe and others; by Mr. Crosby of Barnstable, petition of Braman G. Norton, Sarah J. Stuart and others; by Mr. Dean of Cheshire, petition of Eugene B. Bowen, Essa Hull and others; by Mr. Dewey of Westfield, petition of S. Carleton Hemenway, Charlena B. Scott and others; by Mr. Driscoll of Chicopee, petition of Samuel F. Smith, Ethel Chandler and others; by Mr. Fisher of Amherst, petition of Walter Wingate, Elizabeth Robinson and others; by Mr. Folsom of Springfield, petition of Carlos B. Ellis, Belle G. Bronson and others; by Mr. Gilpatric of Boston, petition of John E. Tuttle, Penelope N. Ross and others; by Mr. Goulding of Duxbury, petition of Arthur E. Nash, Huldah D. Thrasher and others; by Mr. Hopewell of Fall River, petition of Henry Lord, Dorcas Boucher and others; by Mr. Horton of Rehoboth, petition of Christopher Abbott, Mary A. Roberts and others; by Mr. Judd of Holyoke, petition of Laurence E. Frissell, Adella Cleveland and others; by Mr. Libby of Medford, petition of John F. O'Connor, Amelia I. Polley and others; by Mr. Rounseville of Rochester, petition of Joseph A. Eldridge, Lillian K. Besse and others; by Mr. Severance of Shelburne, petition of Willis Vincent, Bessie E. Temple and others; by Mr. Simmons of Grafton, peti-

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

tion of Charles Goddard, Mary B. Merchant and others; by Mr. Smith of New Marlborough, petition of Edward R. Ingham, Lucy I. Northway and others; and by Mr. Spooner of Chelsea, petition of R. Perry Bush, Amorette L. Winslow and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Nantasket
Beach, — public
reservation.

By Mr. Harvell of Rockland, petitions of T. F. Bolger and others, E. G. Hunt and others and Fred F. Prior and others; and by Mr. King of Boston, petition of John W. Strom and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Transportation
companies, —
weekly rest-day
for employees.

By Mr. Dean of Brookline, petition of John Luther Kilbon, Mary L. Potter and others; by Mr. Heath of Northborough, petition of Albert D. Smith and others; and by Mr. Minton of Boston, petition of Frank W. Merrick, Maurice Coleman and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Simmons
Female College.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition of J. B. Warner, attorney for Joseph Sawyer and Henry G. Nichols, for legislation to incorporate the Simmons Female College. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Gypsy moth.

Mr. Crosby of Arlington presented a petition of John F. Hutchinson and others in aid of the Bill making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth, and the same was placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Free employ-
ment offices.

Of the committee on Cities, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill (introduced on leave) to establish and maintain free employment offices in the cities of the Commonwealth (House, No. 618), and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 800) of the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association for legislation relative to the regulation and supervision of wires over streets or buildings in cities, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Towns ;

Cities, — wires
over streets and
buildings.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence.

A report of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 686) of Randolph V. King for legislation relative to the board of assessors of the city of Boston, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

City of Boston,
— board of
assessors.

A Bill relative to the erection and alteration of buildings in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 193) (introduced on leave in the Senate), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

City of Boston,
— buildings.

The House Bill to authorize towns to print and publish their town records (House, No. 456) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Towns, — pub-
lishing of
records.

A petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 225) of Richard W. Irwin, receiver of the Hampshire Savings Bank of Northampton, for legislation to relieve savings banks in the hands of receivers from certain taxes, referred by the Senate to the committee on Banks and Banking, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Savings banks,
— relief from
certain taxes.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Hunt of Worcester, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 768) of Robert W. Godfrey and others for legislation to amend section 128 of chapter 419 of the Acts of the year 1892 relative to the construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings in the city of Boston.

City of Boston,
— buildings.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 390) of Richard W. Hale

Corporations, —
conveyance,
mortgage and
lease of real
estate.

for legislation to authorize corporations to prescribe by their by-laws the persons or officers in whom the power to convey, mortgage or lease their real estate shall be vested.

City of Boston,
— laborers em-
ployed under
contract.

By Mr. Weston of Hyde Park, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 126) of John J. Mahoney that laborers employed under contract in the city of Boston shall be paid two dollars per day for nine hours work. [Mr. Tague, of the Senate, and Messrs. Fitzgerald of Boston, Lomasney of Boston and Sullivan of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Caucuses.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to amend section 17 of chapter 507 of the Acts of the year 1895 relative to the holding of caucuses in certain cities and towns (House, No. 537) ought not to pass.

City of Boston,
— registration
of voters.

By Mr. Newton of Everett, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the registration of voters in the city of Boston (House, No. 333) ought not to pass.

Elections, —
printing of
official ballots.

By Mr. James H. Donovan of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the printing of official ballots (House, No. 535) ought not to pass.

Convicts, — dis-
charges.

By Mr. Wood of Woburn, from the committee on Prisons, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to regulate the discharge of convicts committed to prison or other places of confinement for non-payment of fine or fine and costs (House, No. 644) ought not to pass.

County of Suf-
folk, — house of
reformation.

By Mr. Twomey of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the house of reformation for the county of Suffolk (House, No. 369) ought not to pass.

State Fire Mar-
shal, — aboli-
tion; Chief of
the District
Police, —
powers and
duties.

By Mr. Sheppard of Quincy, from the committee on Public Service, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to abolish the office of State Fire Marshal and to transfer the powers and duties of said office to the Chief of the District Police (House, No. 652) ought not to pass.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, from the committee on Counties, on the estimates of county receipts and expenditures (House, No. 310), in part, a Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Essex. (House, No. 930.)

County of Essex, — county tax.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the estimates of county receipts and expenditures (House, No. 310), in part, a Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Berkshire. (House, No. 931.)

County of Berkshire, — county tax.

By Mr. Davis of Cambridge, from the same committee, on the estimates of county receipts and expenditures (House, No. 310), in part, a Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Middlesex. (House, No. 929.)

County of Middlesex, — county tax.

By Mr. Sprague of Quincy, from the committee on Election Laws, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the order in which names of candidates and political designations shall be placed upon the official ballot in elections (House, No. 446) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 927.)

Elections, — arrangement of names and designations on the official ballot.

By Mr. Jeremiah F. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 491), a Bill to provide for the further protection of the public health. (House, No. 928.)

Public health, — protection.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Goulding of Duxbury, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the placing of officers upon the retired list (House, No. 642) ought to pass.

Militia, — retirement of officers.

By Mr. Fitts of Somerville, from the committee on Prisons, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for the extension of the Bertillon method of identification of criminals (House, No. 430) ought to pass.

Criminals, — Bertillon method of identification.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

By Mr. Quigley of Chelmsford, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) in favor of Jesse A. Viles (House, No. 857) ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Jesse A. Viles.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motions of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, the Bill relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations (House, No. 630) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a

Fraternal beneficiary organizations.

suspension of the rule, and laid on the table, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Insurance.

John S. Gillis.

On motion of Mr. Folsom of Springfield, the Resolve in favor of John S. Gillis (House, No. 922) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time.

Pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, the same gentleman moved that it be postponed for consideration until Monday next.

Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston moved that it be postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, which motion was adopted, and the resolve was, accordingly, postponed until Tuesday.

State House, —
assistant engineer.

On motions of Mr. Carey of Haverhill, the Bill to establish the salary of the assistant engineer at the State House (House, No. 725) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

Police court of
Fitchburg, —
salaries of
justice and
clerk.

On motions of Mr. Blood of Fitchburg, the report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 30) of the justice and clerk of the police court of Fitchburg that their salaries may be increased, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Thursday next.

Third District
Court of Eastern
Middlesex, —
salary of
clerk.

On motions of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, the report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 247) of the clerk of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex for an increase of salary, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Thursday next.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 475) of Francis H. Appleton for legislation to authorize

the State Board of Agriculture to offer prizes at agricultural fairs for the encouragement of the breeding of a high quality of live stock ; and .

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 660) of Charles S. Curtis for legislation relative to the licensing of dogs ;

Of the committee on Libraries, no legislation necessary, on the ninth annual report of the Board of Free Public Library Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 44) ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 777) of C. S. Pratt for legislation to prevent the indiscriminate granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the immediate vicinity of railroad stations ;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, at the request of the petitioner, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 706) of Edward R. Coffin for legislation to repeal chapter 531 of the Acts of the year 1898 authorizing a dam across the Charles River ;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 280) of Clayton S. Cooper and others for legislation to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes and cigarette tobacco ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 180) of Horatio G. Curtis and another for legislation to prevent the double taxation of owners of merchandise held as security for debts ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 119) of the mayor of the city of Boston that the city council of said city be authorized to reduce any salaries paid by said city, the amounts of which are fixed by statute ;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 157) of Robert S. Peabody for legislation to establish a department of architecture in the city of Boston ; and

Of the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the tenth annual report of the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 45) ;
Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill to decrease the number of licenses in the city of Boston (House, No. 633) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Liquor Law, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the legal rate of interest (House, No. 457) was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendments to the House Bill relative to special commissioners (House, No. 869), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Bills :

To authorize the Proprietors of the Independent Congregational Church in Barton Square in Salem, the East Church Society in Salem and the Second Church in Salem to unite (House, No. 356) ;

To impose a tax on legacies, successions and certain other transfers and to provide for the distribution of the proceeds of the same (House, No. 654) ;

Relative to marriages of minors (House, No. 745) ;

To reimburse the town of Amesbury for the maintenance and repair of certain bridges on the Merrimac River (House, No. 919) ;

Relative to the travelling expenses of jurors (House, No. 920) ;

To provide for partial payments of taxes and public debts (House, No. 921) ;

To authorize the International Trust Company to hold additional real estate (Senate, No. 75) ;

To revise the charter of the city of Somerville (Senate, No. 209) ; and

To authorize the city of Somerville to lay out and maintain a parkway (Senate, No. 214) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Thomas W. Mack (House, No. 248) ;

In favor of the town of Rutland (House, No. 492) ;

In favor of Christopher Harrison (House, No. 712) ;

Relative to the tabulation of statistics of parent nativity in the city of Boston (House, No. 923) ;

In favor of Alfred Bickford (House, No. 924) ; and

To provide for procuring special plans of the so-called Bulfinch portion of the State House (Senate, No. 197) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To provide for the retirement of justices of the Supreme Judicial and Superior courts (House, No. 546) ;

Relative to the temporary release of children under sentence for truancy (House, No. 904) ; and

Making an appropriation for the consolidation and arrangement of the Public Statutes (House, No. 905) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of Somerville to take land for an almshouse (Senate, No. 219) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Cambridge Bridge Commission, with the consent of the United States Government, to construct without a draw the bridge to be built between the cities of Boston and Cambridge (Senate, No. 42) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a bill with a similar title (House, No. 917), which was read and substituted and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to extend the time within which the Pyncheon Safe Deposit and Trust Company may organize and begin business (House, No. 890) was postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, on motion of Mr. Stone of Springfield, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading.

The Bill relative to total losses upon fire insurance policies (House, No. 389) was read a second time, and after debate was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 59 to 48.

The report of the committee on Ways and Means (sitting jointly with the committee on Ways and Means on the part of the Senate), leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 805) of C. J. McPherson and others that an increased annuity may be allowed George Bent of Framingham, was considered.

Mr. Twombly of Framingham moved to amend by the substitution of a "Resolve in favor of an increased annuity to George O. Bent of Framingham" (House, No. 805).

Pending the amendment and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, it was postponed for further consideration until Monday, on motion of Mr. Bennett of Saugus.

The Bill imposing a tax on legacies, successions and certain other transfers, and providing for the distribution of the proceeds of the same (House, No. 519) was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Dean of Wakefield, pending the question on its reference to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Taxation.

The Bill relative to the rate of interest on overdue taxes (House, No. 761) was read a second time.

Mr. Hagberg of Worcester moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 925), which was read and substituted, and was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Dean of Brookline, at eight minutes before two o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, March 13, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Cook of Milford, petition of a citizens' meeting of the town of Upton; by Mr. Harwood of Littleton, petition of Guy B. Keith, Bessie E. Gardner and others; by Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition of William McLeod, Ida W. Whitman and others; by Mr. Howland of Dartmouth, petition of Wallis P. Deane, Jeneva E. Rose and others; by Mr. Lowe of New Bedford, petition of Charles H. Brownell, Harriette M. Simmons and others; by Mr. Smith of Dover, petition of William Gorse, Lenora A. Parker and others; and by Mr. Williams of Foxborough, petition of Elbridge Torrey, Sibyl H. Spaulding and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

By Mr. Dudley of Sutton, remonstrance of C. Burditt Williams and others; and by Mr. Rounseville of Rochester, remonstrance of William F. Stanly, Caroline E. Babcock and others, — severally, against the passage of the Bill relative to studies in the public schools, and petitions of the same in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Public schools,
— studies;
physiology and
hygiene.

Severally to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petitions of Samuel Gibby and others and Eunice D. Kinney and others, — severally, in aid of the Bill to authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to make provision for musical entertainments in the reservations under their charge.

Metropolitan
park reserva-
tions, — musical
entertainments.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

By Mr. Litchfield of Middleborough, petition of George W. Stearns and others; and by Mr. Ray of Ashland,

Transportation
companies, —
weekly rest-day
for employees.

petition of Oliver B. Root and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Legal process
and practice, —
abuses.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 115) of Henry C. Whitney for the enactment of a law to remedy and correct abuses of legal process and practice ;

Official ste-
nographers, —
fees.

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 717) of James S. Newton for legislation relative to the fees of official stenographers for transcripts of testimony and of the charge and rulings of a presiding justice ;
and

Railroad com-
panies, —
transportation
of rowing
shells.

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 164) of John A. Keliher that railroad corporations may be required to transport racing rowing shells free of charge ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Towns, — pub-
lic health.

A Bill relative to the public health in towns (Senate, No. 55) (introduced on leave in the Senate), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Massachusetts
School for the
Feeble-minded,
— purchase of
land.

A Resolve to provide for the purchase of land for the use of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded (printed as House, No. 503) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Legacies.

The House Bill relative to legacies (House, No. 442) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

City of Cam-
bridge, — sewer
assessments.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to vacate certain sewer assessments (House, No. 671) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain

amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Skinner of Watertown, from the committee on Election Laws, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the election of aldermen in the city of Boston (House, No. 331), and recommending that the same be referred to the committees on Election Laws and Metropolitan Affairs, sitting jointly. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

City of Boston,
— election of
aldermen.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of J. B. Warner, attorney for Joseph Sawyer and Henry G. Nichols, for legislation to incorporate the Simmons Female College. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 932) was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Simmons
Female College.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of officers of the Essex Institute for legislation to authorize said institute to hold additional real and personal estate. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Dalton of Salem, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 938) was referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Essex Institute,
— real and per-
sonal estate.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, from the special committee on Rules, recommending certain changes in the rules of the House. (House, No. 934.)

House of Rep-
resentatives, —
rules.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be not suspended on the petition of the mayor of the city of Newburyport for legislation to establish a water board for said city in place of the present water commissioners.

City of
Newburyport,
— water board.

By Mr. Dalton of Salem, from the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 823) of the United States Registry

Key-registering
companies, —
insurance laws.

Company for legislation to exempt key-registering companies from the operation of the insurance laws.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
sale on election
days and
holidays.

By Mr. Estes of Brockton, from the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 703) of Charles H. Bartlett for legislation to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors on election days and certain holidays.

Auditors, —
appointment by
the Governor.

By Mr. Tatman of Worcester, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 574) of William C. Parker for legislation relative to the appointment of auditors by the Governor.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of Boston,
— inspection of
buildings.

By Mr. Spooner of Chelsea, from the committee on Cities, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to further regulate the inspection of buildings in the city of Boston (House, No. 386) ought not to pass.

State election
day, — half-
holiday.

By Mr. Skinner of Watertown, from the committee on Election Laws, that the Bill (introduced on leave) making the State election day a half-holiday (House, No. 334) ought not to pass. [Mr. Sprague of Quincy, of the House, dissenting.]

Municipal
offices, —
nomination of
candidates.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the nomination of candidates for municipal offices (House, No. 536) ought not to pass.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
number of
places licensed.

By Mr. Bleiler of Boston, from the committee on the Liquor Law, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to repeal the laws limiting the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors (House, No. 634) ought not to pass.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
objections to
licenses.

By Mr. Mills of Newburyport, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to objections of owners of real estate in the matter of the granting of liquor licenses (House, No. 748) ought not to pass.

Offensive
trades.

By Mr. Porter of Lynn, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to certain offensive trades (House, No. 437) ought not to pass.

Public records,
— standard
record inks.

By Mr. Lowe of New Bedford, from the committee on Public Service, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to repeal the law relative to standard record inks for public records (House, No. 646) ought not to pass.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. Hunt of Worcester, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Woburn to issue additional water bonds. (House, No. 859.)

City of Woburn, — water bonds.

By Mr. Foster of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Charles Bulle. (House, No. 476.) [Mr. Chamberlain, of the Senate, and Mr. Sands of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

City of Boston — widow of Charles Bulle.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay the widow of John McGrath certain money. (House, No. 561.) [Mr. Chamberlain, of the Senate, and Mr. Sands of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

City of Boston, — widow of John McGrath.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the mother of James F. Ryan. (House, No. 570.) [Mr. Chamberlain, of the Senate, and Mr. Sands of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

City of Boston, — mother of James F. Ryan.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition and on a bill introduced on leave (House, No. 621), a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Martin F. McDonald. (House, No. 583.) [Mr. Chamberlain, of the Senate, dissenting.]

City of Boston, — widow of Martin F. McDonald.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to Lucy G. Kelly. (House, No. 665.) [Mr. Chamberlain, of the Senate, and Mr. Sands of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

City of Boston, — Lucy G. Kelly.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to Ellen A. Murphy. (House, No. 673.) [Mr. Chamberlain, of the Senate, dissenting.]

City of Boston, — Ellen A. Murphy.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of John Rossiter. (House, No. 674.) [Mr. Chamberlain, of the Senate, and Mr. Sands of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

City of Boston, — widow of John Rossiter.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the mother of Joseph D. Lane. (House, No. 679.) [Mr. Chamberlain, of the Senate, dissenting.]

City of Boston, — mother of Joseph D. Lane.

City of Boston,
— widow of
Daniel F.
Cadigan.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Daniel F. Cadigan. (House, No. 783.) [Mr. Chamberlain, of the Senate, and Mr. Sands of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

City of Boston,
— children of
Frederic B.
Bogan.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 150), a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the children of Frederic B. Bogan. (House, No. 937.) [Mr. Chamberlain, of the Senate, dissenting.]

City of Boston,
— Sarah E.
Leavitt.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to Sarah E. Leavitt. (Senate, No. 36.) [Mr. Chamberlain, of the Senate, and Mr. Sands of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

City of Cambridge, — park loan.

By Mr. Donovan of Taunton, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to make an additional park loan. (House, No. 552.)

City of Quincy,
— water commissioners.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the tenure of office of the board of water commissioners in the city of Quincy. (House, No. 572.)

City of Cambridge, — water board sinking fund trustees.

By Mr. Ainsworth of Fall River, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the powers of the trustees of the sinking fund of the water board of the city of Cambridge. (House, No. 667.)

Town of Southbridge, —
— sewerage system.

By Mr. Balcom of Marlborough, from the committee on Drainage, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 37), a Bill to authorize the town of Southbridge to construct and maintain a system of sewerage and sewage disposal. (House, No. 935.)

Inquest proceedings, —
territorial jurisdiction.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to territorial jurisdiction in certain inquest proceedings (House, No. 385) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 933.)

City of Boston,
— Malden Bridge.

By Mr. Russell of Boston, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 20), a Bill relative to Malden Bridge, so called, in the city of Boston. (House, No. 936.) [Messrs. Fitzgerald of Boston and Sullivan of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Foster of Boston, from the committee on Cities, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to Mary A. Davis (House, No. 531) ought to pass. [Mr. Chamberlain, of the Senate, and Mr. Sands of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

City of Boston,
— Mary A.
Davis.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Edward Melia (House, No. 532) ought to pass. [Mr. Chamberlain, of the Senate, and Mr. Sands of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

City of Boston,
— widow of
Edward Melia.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. King of Boston, the Bill relative to the police department in the city of Boston (House, No. 164) was taken from the table and was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Cities, and notice was sent to the Senate.

City of Boston,
— police department.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the employment of a messenger in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth ;

Bills enacted.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the First District Court of Southern Worcester ;

Making appropriations for sundry educational expenses ;

To authorize the town of Leominster to supply the inhabitants of the town of Lunenburg with water ;

To authorize the treasurer of the county of Bristol to employ additional clerical assistance ; and

To empower the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex to establish a highway in the city of Newton ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To relieve certain towns from the support of inmates of certain State institutions ;

Relative to the construction of a channel from Vineyard Sound to Lake Anthony ;

To authorize transfers from the Lyman School for Boys and from the State Industrial School for Girls to the Hospital Cottages for Children or the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded ; and

Relative to certain payments to be made to the Worcester Polytechnic Institute ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve to provide for certain improvements at the Danvers Insane Hospital (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

Park commissioners.

On motions of Mr. Hayes of Lowell, the Bill relative to park commissioners (House, No. 330) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and recommitted to the committee on Cities, pending the question on passing it to be engrossed.

Convicts, — discharges.

On motions of Mr. Wood of Woburn, the Bill to regulate the discharge of convicts committed to prison or other places of confinement for non-payment of fine or fine and costs (House, No. 644) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and recommitted to the committee on Prisons, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by that committee.

City of Boston, — laborers employed under contract.

On motions of Mr. Sullivan of Boston, the report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 126) of John J. Mahoney that laborers employed under contract in the city of Boston shall be paid two dollars per day for nine hours' work, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Friday next.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the day.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 768) of Robert W. Godfrey and others for legislation to amend section 128 of chapter 419 of the Acts of the year 1892 relative to the construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings in the city of Boston ; and

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 390) of Richard W. Hale for legislation to authorize

corporations to prescribe by their by-laws the persons or officers in whom the power to convey, mortgage or lease their real estate shall be vested ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 686) of Randolph V. King for legislation relative to the board of assessors of the city of Boston, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to the registration of voters in the city of Boston (House, No. 333) ; and

Relative to the printing of official ballots (House, No. 535) ;

Were severally rejected, as recommended, in each case, by the committee on Election Laws, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the house of reformation for the county of Suffolk (House, No. 369) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Prisons, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to abolish the office of State Fire Marshal and to transfer the powers and duties of said office to the Chief of the District Police (House, No. 652) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Public Service, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendments to the House Bill to authorize towns to print and publish their town records (House, No. 456), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Bills :

To provide for the extension of the Bertillon method of identification of criminals (House, No. 430) ;

Relative to the placing of officers upon the retired list (House, No. 642) ; and

Relative to the order in which names of candidates and political designations shall be placed upon the official ballot in elections (House, No. 927) ; and

Resolves :

Granting a county tax for the county of Middlesex (House, No. 929) ;

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Granting a county tax for the county of Essex (House, No. 930); and

Granting a county tax for the county of Berkshire (House, No. 931);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

Relative to marriages of minors (House, No. 745);

To reimburse the town of Amesbury for the maintenance and repair of certain bridges on the Merrimac River (House, No. 919); and

Relative to the rate of interest on overdue taxes (House, No. 925); and

Resolves:

In favor of Thomas W. Mack (House, No. 248);

In favor of the town of Rutland (House, No. 492);

In favor of Christopher Harrison (House, No. 712);

Relative to the tabulation of statistics of parent nativity in the city of Boston (House, No. 923); and

In favor of Alfred Bickford (House, No. 924);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the travelling expenses of jurors (House, No. 920) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, adding the following new section: "*Section 2.* This act shall take effect upon its passage."

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the International Trust Company to hold additional real estate (Senate, No. 75); and

The Resolve to provide for procuring special plans of the so-called Bulfinch part of the State House (Senate, No. 197) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the inspection of milk (Senate, No. 212) was considered, and after debate was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Ways and Means (sitting jointly with the committee on Ways and Means on

the part of the Senate), leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 805) of C. J. McPherson and others that an increased annuity may be allowed George Bent of Framingham, was further considered, and after debate the pending resolve (House, No. 805), moved by Mr. Twombly of Framingham, was substituted, and having been read was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to amend section 17 of chapter 507 of the Acts of the year 1895 relative to the holding of caucuses in certain cities and towns (House, No. 537) was considered, and after debate was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Election Laws, by a vote of 76 to 29, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to provide for the further protection of the public health (House, No. 928) was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Lomasney of Boston.

The Bill relative to the erection and alteration of buildings in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 193) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Wallace of Clinton, the bill was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. King of Holbrook, at thirteen minutes past three o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 14, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Bill Ordered Printed.

Street railway
companies, —
locations.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Cambridge, one hundred copies of a Bill relative to granting locations to street railway companies, were ordered printed for the use of the committee on Street Railways.

Introduced on Leave.

Town of Mel-
rose, — 250th
anniversary of
the town of
Malden.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, a Bill to authorize the town of Melrose to appropriate a sum of money for celebrating the 250th anniversary of the town of Malden. The bill having been read, Mr. Adams moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

City of Boston,
— height of
buildings on
Beacon Hill.

By Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, petition of E. Victor Bigelow, Martha P. Howe and others in aid of the petition for legislation to limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston. To the committee on Cities.

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

By Mr. Harlow of Whitman, petition of Samuel E. Ring, Mary O. Nash and others; by Mr. Moore of West Stockbridge, petition of W. L. Tucker and others; and by Mr. Weston of Hyde Park, petition of Fred C. Stone, Blanche G. Whittier and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Death penalty,
— abolition.

By Mr. Ellsworth of Worcester, petition of F. L. Hildreth, Martha A. Blood and others in aid of the Bill pro-

viding for the abolition of the death penalty. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Bartlett of Oxford, petition of John G. Stanton and others; by Mr. Hayes of Lowell, petition of Charles Cowley and another; by Mr. Severance of Shelburne, petition of Henry A. Smith and others; and by Mr. Smith of Dover, petition of Andrew Lees, Kate M. Bucknam and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies.

Transportation companies, — weekly rest-day for employees.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Horton of Rehoboth, petition of the selectmen and clerk of the town of Swansea for legislation to protect the growth and cultivation of clams on the shores and flats of said town. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Town of Swansea, — clams.

By Mr. Rounseville of Rochester, petition of the selectmen of the town of Lakeville for legislation to confirm the vote of said town, cast at the annual town meeting in March of the present year, upon the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Town of Lakeville, — confirmation of vote at annual town meeting.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 801) of George Holden Tinkham for legislation relative to the expenditure of money by city officials, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary; and

City officials, — expenditure of money.

Of the committee on Public Service, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 65) of John A. Keliher for legislation extending the benefit of the provisions of chapter 517 of the Acts of the year 1896 to soldiers and sailors who served in the army or navy of the United States in the late war with Spain, and recommending

Soldiers and sailors, — exemption from civil service law.

that the same be referred to the committee on Military Affairs ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence.

Reports :

Free sanitarics.

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 134) of Charles F. Sargent and others that sanitarics for the free use of the public be maintained by all cities and towns having a water supply ;

South-eastern District, — salary of district attorney.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 21) of George A. Wheeler and others that the salary of the district attorney of the South-eastern District may be increased ;

Major-General Benjamin F. Butler, — equestrian statue.

Of the committees on State House and Military Affairs, sitting jointly, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 809) of B. F. Butler Post 42, G. A. R., for legislation to provide for the erection of an equestrian statue of Major-General Benjamin F. Butler on the State House grounds ; and

Taxes, — collection of, upon real estate.

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition of O. Crawford for legislation to facilitate the collection of taxes upon real estate ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Savings banks, — bonds of the Boston Terminal Company.

A Bill to authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to loan upon the bonds of the Boston Terminal Company (Senate, No. 220) (reported on Part I. of the annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks, Pub. Doc. No. 8), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Public schools, — physiology and hygiene.

Petitions of E. G. Babcock and others, E. W. Ellis and others, John Reed and others, Alvin Porter and others, M. C. Ward and others, James E. Maguire and others, F. P. Narber and others, Frank E. Noyes and others, H. W. Gibbs and others, J. H. Hager and others, A. T. Kempton and others, Edward C. Hopkins and others, Albert F. Newton and others, William D. True and others, Frank A. Everett and others, D. W. Nichols

and others, Willard Packard and others, Herbert A. Maynard and others, Appleton P. Williams and others, Calvin H. Clark and others, D. W. Lovett and others, Milton Bradley and others, Simon B. Hager and others, Melvin W. Jeffs and others, O. F. Lawrence and others, Thomas S. Sayer and others, Edward W. Thrasher and others, M. L. Williston and others, H. L. Chipman and others, A. O. Stanger and others, Edmund G. Gifford and others, Joseph N. Riendeau and others, John C. A. Robinson and others, C. C. Fuller and others, John H. Garman and others, William B. Heath and others, Francis Batchelder and others, C. H. Callender and others, Albert B. Clark and others, W. S. Powell and others, G. E. Wood and others, Edmund S. Willard and others, C. E. Browne and others, Arthur Bottomley and others, William H. Chappell and others, Earl F. Pearce and others, Raymond Calkins and others, Dwight A. Clark and others, M. M. Morey and others, Asher Starkweather and others, L. M. Pierce and others, I. H. Thompson and others, Elbridge Torrey and others, Arthur B. Champlin and others, George H. Dunham and others and C. S. Richmond and others, — severally, for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Remonstrances of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Middlesex County and Edwin S. Small and others, — severally, against the passage of the Bill relative to studies in the public schools (House, No. 817), and petitions of the same for the passage of Senate Bill No. 41, accompanying the petition of Charles L. Morgan and Mary H. Hunt for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Petition of John E. Tuttle and others in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies. To the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Public schools,
— studies;
physiology and
hygiene.

Transportation
companies, —
weekly rest-day
for employees.

Petitions of G. Hay and others and Alice Freeman Palmer and others, — severally, in aid of the petitions for legislation to require street railway companies to enclose the platforms of their cars during certain months of the year.

Street railway
companies, —
enclosed plat-
forms on cars.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

Samuel T.
Davis.

A Resolve (introduced on leave) in favor of Samuel T. Davis (Senate, No. 229), referred by the Senate to the joint committee on Ways and Means, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Reports of Committees.

Milk dealers, —
licenses.

By Mr. Adams of Barre, from the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 661) of the secretary of the Fitchburg Milk Dealers' Association for legislation relative to the licensing of milk dealers.

Orchards, —
"peach
yellows."

By Mr. Chandler of Somerville, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 145) of Arthur M. Clement and others for legislation to protect orchards from the ravages of the disease known as "peach yellows."

City of New-
buryport, —
election of
assessors.

By Mr. Hunt of Worcester, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 677) of George H. Plumer and others for legislation relative to the election of assessors in the city of Newburyport.

County of
Hampden, —
index of records
in registry
of deeds.

By Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, from the committee on Counties, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 603) of the county commissioners of the county of Hampden for legislation to authorize them to employ some suitable person or persons to prepare a consolidated index of the records in the registry of deeds.

City of Boston,
— assessors and
assistant assess-
ors.

By Mr. James H. Donovan of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 691) of William D. Wheeler for legislation relative to the appointment of assessors and assistant assessors, and the duties of the same, in the city of Boston.

Buildings, —
liens for
materials fur-
nished.

By Mr. Turtle of Pittsfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 107) of Richard Cullinane for legislation relative to liens on buildings for materials furnished.

Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 108) of

Chester Sprague and others for legislation relative to liens for materials furnished in buildings.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 109) of Joseph I. Stewart for the repeal of section 3 of chapter 191 of the Public Statutes relative to liens for materials furnished.

Buildings, —
liens for
materials fur-
nished.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 435) of George W. Parks for legislation relative to preserving and enforcing liens.

Liens, —
preservation
and enforce-
ment.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 81) of Benjamin H. Jones and another for legislation to provide for recording liens on real estate.

Real estate, —
recording of
liens.

By Mr. Quigley of Chelmsford, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 128) of Peter F. Tague that former officers of the militia who joined provisional companies may be eligible for election to the offices previously held by them.

Militia, —
eligibility of
former officers.

By Mr. Harriman of Northbridge, from the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the fifth annual report of the Board of Registration in Medicine (Pub. Doc. No. 56).

Board of
Registration in
Medicine.

By Mr. Chase of Westborough, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (recommitted, with accompanying bill, House, No. 792) of C. James Connelly for legislation relative to the transportation and burial of the dead.

Deceased
persons, —
transportation
and burial.

By Mr. Grimes of Reading, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 794) of the Staples Coal Company and others for legislation to regulate the width of tires on draught wagons. [Messrs. Frost of Lawrence and Marchant of Gloucester, of the House, dissenting.]

Draught
wagons, —
width of tires.

By Mr. Munroe of Worcester, from the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 328) of George W. Allen for legislation relative to fares on street railways.

Street railway
companies, —
fares.

By Mr. Wallace of Clinton, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying

Massachusetts
Electric Freight
Company.

bill, House, No. 22) of James Means and others for legislation to incorporate the Massachusetts Electric Freight Company. [Mr. Chamberlain, of the Senate, dissenting.]

Personal prop-
erty, — State
assessment;
property held
by foreign
trustees, —
taxation.

By Mr. Sullivan of Natick, from the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 594) of William R. Sessions and another for legislation to provide for the State assessment of personal property and the more complete taxation thereof, and on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 597) of William R. Sessions and another for legislation to tax the property of citizens of the Commonwealth held by foreign trustees.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Trade marks.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) for the further protection of trade marks (House, No. 440) ought not to pass.

Massachusetts
Volunteer
Militia.

By Mr. Robinson of Springfield, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia (House, No. 431) ought not to pass.

Fermented
liquors, — taxa-
tion.

By Mr. Gartland of Boston, from the committee on Taxation, that the Bill (recommitted) to impose a tax on fermented liquors (House, No. 651) ought not to pass.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

Mail contracts
on stage routes.

By Mr. Estes of Brockton, from the committee on Federal Relations, that the Resolutions relative to mail contracts on stage routes (House, No. 269) ought not to be adopted. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the resolutions.

Militia, —
drill-shed for
mounted arms.

By Mr. Harlow of Whitman, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) to provide a suitable drill-shed for the mounted arms of the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia (House, No. 429) be referred to the next General Court.

Town of
Saugus, —
expenditures
on the Salem
Turnpike.

By Mr. Dean of Cheshire, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) relative to the reimbursement of the town of Saugus for

expenditures on the Salem Turnpike (House, No. 125) be referred to the next General Court.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the reference of the resolve to the next General Court.

By Mr. Murphy of Lawrence, from the committee on Federal Relations, that the Resolutions relative to a federal law making eight hours a working day (House, No. 625) ought to be adopted, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 939.)

Labor, — eight-hour day.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, from the same committee, that the Resolutions relative to the admission of Brigham H. Roberts of Utah to a seat in the fifty-sixth Congress of the United States (House, No. 83) ought to be adopted, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 940.)

Brigham H. Roberts.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the adoption of the resolutions.

By Mr. Hawes of Weymouth, from the committee on Federal Relations, that the Resolution relative to the placing of a steam launch and search light at the life-saving station in Dorchester Bay (House, No. 162) ought to be adopted.

Dorchester Bay life-saving station, — steam launch and search light.

By Mr. Moore of West Stockbridge, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Resolution offering the thanks of the Commonwealth to the soldiers and sailors who served in the war with Spain (House, No. 641) ought to be adopted.

Soldiers and sailors, — thanks of the Commonwealth.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the adoption of the resolution.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes and for certain other expenses authorized by law. (House, No. 942.)

Appropriations, — miscellaneous expenses.

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for current expenses at the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates. (House, No. 943.)

Appropriations, — Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates.

By Mr. Corey of Sturbridge, from the committee on Agriculture, that the Bill (introduced on leave in the

Animals, — infectious diseases.

Senate) to amend an act relative to animals affected with infectious diseases (Senate, No. 91) ought to pass.

Lunch wagons.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, from the committee on Cities, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 556), a Bill relative to the licensing of lunch wagons. (House, No. 945.)

Cities of Springfield and Chicopee, — interchange of fire department service.

By Mr. Puffer of Springfield, from the same committee, on a petition (with accompanying bills, House, Nos. 602 and 617), in part, a Bill to authorize the city of Springfield and the city of Chicopee to make agreements for an interchange of fire department service. (House, No. 602.)

City of Springfield and town of West Springfield, — fire department service.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition (with accompanying bills, House, Nos. 602 and 617), a Bill to authorize the city of Springfield to furnish the town of West Springfield with fire department service. (House, No. 617.)

City of Cambridge, — pay of disabled officers and employees.

By Mr. Kane of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the authority of the city of Cambridge to continue the pay of disabled officers and employees in certain cases. (House, No. 666.)

Trustee process.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 235), a Bill relative to the trustee process. (House, No. 947.)

State Prison and Massachusetts Reformatory, — age of subordinate officers.

By Mr. Fitts of Somerville, from the committee on Prisons, on the twenty-eighth annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons (Pub. Doc. No. 13), in part, a Bill relative to the age of subordinate officers at the State Prison and at the Massachusetts Reformatory. (House, No. 948.) [Mr. Sargent, of the Senate, dissenting.]

Auctioneers.

By Mr. Grimes of Reading, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (recommitted) relative to auctioneers (House, No. 716) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 949.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Carney Hospital.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve in favor of the Carney Hospital ought to pass. (House, No. 950.)

Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary (House, No. 361) ought to pass.

Neponset River valley system of sewage disposal.

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, from the same committee, that the Bill relative to the expenses incurred under the

act to provide for a system of sewage disposal for the Neponset River valley ought to pass. (House, No. 944.)

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, from the same committee, Jesse A. Viles. that the Resolve in favor of Jesse A. Viles (House, No. 857) ought to pass.

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the same committee, Medfield Insane Asylum, — farm building. that the Resolve to provide for a farm building at the Medfield Insane Asylum ought to pass. (House, No. 951.)

By Mr. McIsaac of Boston, from the same committee, Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded, — purchase of land. that the Resolve to provide for the purchase of land for the use of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded (printed as House, No. 503) ought to pass.

By Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, from the committee on District Court of Northern Berkshire, — salary of clerk. Counties on the part of the House, that the Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the District Court of Northern Berkshire ought to pass. (House, No. 946.)

By Mr. Dumond of Boston, from the committee on the Intoxicating liquors, — number of licenses. Liquor Law, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors (House, No. 289) ought to pass. [Messrs. Odlin of Andover, Minihan of Cambridge and Mills of Newburyport, of the House, dissenting.]

By Mr. Smith of New Marlborough, from the committee on Town of Russell, — indebtedness. Towns, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize the town of Russell to refund a portion of its indebtedness (House, No. 900) ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Dillon of Holyoke, from the committee on State Normal School at Westfield, — practice school. Education, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) to provide a building for a practice school in connection with the State Normal School at Westfield (House, No. 260) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill making appropriations for printing Bill enacted. and binding public documents, the purchase of paper and publishing laws (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Motions to Discharge from the Orders of the Day.

City of Boston,
— Malden
Bridge.

Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill relative to Malden Bridge, so called, in the city of Boston (House, No. 936), which motion, after debate, was lost.

Taxation, —
legacies, suc-
cessions and
other transfers.

Mr. Dean of Wakefield moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to impose a tax on legacies, successions and certain other transfers and to provide for the distribution of the proceeds of the same (House, No. 654), which motion was lost.

Orders of the Day.

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The report of the special committee on Rules, recommending certain changes in the rules of the House (House, No. 934), was adopted, as follows: —

In rule 28, strike out the word “third,” in line 6, and insert in place thereof the word “fourth;”

Strike out rule 41 and insert in place thereof the following: “41. The consideration of an order proposed for adoption, except as provided in joint rule twenty-eight or House rule one hundred and four, or of any request for leave to introduce a bill, or any motion to suspend joint rules eight or thirteen, or House rules thirty-one, forty-five or forty-six, shall be postponed without question to the day after that on which the order is proposed or request or motion made, if any member asks such postponement;”

Strike out rule 79 and insert in place thereof the following: “79. A motion to adjourn shall be always first in order, and shall be decided without debate; and on the motions to lay on the table, to take from the table, for the previous question, to close debate at a specified time, to postpone to a time certain, to commit or recommit, not exceeding ten minutes shall be allowed for debate, and no member shall speak more than three minutes;”

Strike out rule 82 and insert in place thereof the following: “82. On the previous question debate shall be allowed only to give reasons why the main question should not be put;”

In rule 85, strike out, in lines 3 to 5, inclusive, the words “On this motion, not exceeding ten minutes shall

be allowed for debate, and no member shall speak more than three minutes ;”

In rule 99, strike out, after the word “ Speaker,” in line 18, the words “ and it shall not be in order for the Speaker to entertain a motion for the suspension of this rule or to present from the chair the request of any member for unanimous consent ;” and

In rule 104, insert after the word “ rule,” in line 2, the words “ or House rule thirty-two, all questions on concurring with the Senate in the suspension of either of said joint rules.”

Reports :

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 823) of the United States Registry Company for legislation to exempt key-registering companies from the operation of the insurance laws ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 703) of Charles H. Bartlett for legislation to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors on election days and certain holidays ; and

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 574) of William C. Parker for legislation relative to the appointment of auditors by the Governor ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 115) of Henry C. Whitney for the enactment of a law to remedy and correct abuses of legal process and practice ; and

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 717) of James S. Newton for legislation relative to the fees of official stenographers for transcripts of testimony and of the charge and rulings of a presiding justice ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the nomination of candidates for municipal offices (House, No. 536) was rejected, as rec-

ommended by the committee on Election Laws, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to repeal the laws limiting the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors (House, No. 634) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Liquor Law, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to certain offensive trades (House, No. 437) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendments to the House Bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to vacate certain sewer assessments (House, No. 671), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Bills :

Relative to the powers of the trustees of the sinking fund of the water board of the city of Cambridge (House, No. 667) ;

To authorize the city of Woburn to issue additional water bonds (House, No. 859) ;

Relative to territorial jurisdiction in certain inquest proceedings (House, No. 933) ;

To authorize the town of Southbridge to construct and maintain a system of sewerage and sewage disposal (House, No. 935) ; and

Relative to the public health in towns (Senate, No. 55) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve in favor of John S. Gillis (House, No. 922) was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the extension of the Bertillon method of identification of criminals (House, No. 430) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a bill with a similar title (House, No. 941), which was read and substituted, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Resolves :

Granting a county tax for the county of Middlesex (House, No. 929) ;

Granting a county tax for the county of Essex (House, No. 930); and

Granting a county tax for the county of Berkshire (House, No. 931);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the practice of pharmacy (House, No. 887) was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Adams of Melrose moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in lines 10 to 15, inclusive, the words "and no person shall hereafter serve as a member of said board for more than five years consecutively, — providing that the present members of said board shall continue to hold their offices during the terms for which they were severally appointed;" and by striking out, in lines 23 to 27, inclusive, the words "and not more than one member of said board shall be interested in the sale of drugs, medicines and chemicals and the compounding and dispensing of physicians' prescriptions in the same councillor district."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, the amendments were rejected, by a vote of 27 to 123, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the taking of eels and clams from the Merrimac River in the town of Salisbury and the city of Newburyport (House, No. 906) was considered, and after debate the House refused to order it to a third reading, by a vote of 44 to 68.

The Bill to establish the salary of the assistant engineer at the State House (House, No. 725) was recommitted to the committee on Public Service, on motion of Mr. Folsom of Springfield, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means

The Bill to extend the time within which the Pyncheon Safe Deposit and Trust Company may organize and begin business (House, No. 890) was taken up.

Mr. Harvell of Rockland moved that it be postponed for consideration until Friday next, which motion was lost.

Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading,

At twenty minutes before five o'clock, under the standing order, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 15, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

The Clerk announced the temporary absence of the Speaker, and stated that Mr. Myers of Cambridge had been appointed to preside. Mr. Myers accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by Reverend Lewis B. Bates of Boston.

Bill Ordered Printed.

City of Boston,
— street car
tracks on
Boylston and
Tremont
streets.

On motion of Mr. David A. Mahoney of Boston, one hundred copies of a Bill to authorize the replacing of street car tracks on Boylston and Tremont streets in the city of Boston, were ordered printed for the use of the committee on Street Railways.

Petitions.

The following petitions and remonstrance were severally presented and referred :—

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

By Mr. Crosby of Attleborough, petition of Homer M. Daggett, Helen A. Wexel and others; by Mr. Dean of Cheshire, petition of Frank N. Reynolds, Emma E. Martin and others; by Mr. Foster of Boston, petition of E. Leslie Baker, Edna L. Stubbings and others; by Mr. Harvell of Rockland, petition of Frank A. Arnold, Charlotte J. Hubbard and others; by Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition of Lorenzo C. Tewksbury, Mary P. Griffin and others; by Mr. Leland of Templeton, petition of W. D. Graves, Ella Bemis and others; by Mr. Litchfield of Middleborough, petition of William L. Wade, Hannah E. Sherman and others; and by Mr. Moore of West Stockbridge, petition of D. F. Cronin and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Public schools,
— studies;
physiology and
hygiene.

By Mr. Lockhart of Fall River, remonstrance of Thomas Chew, Amelia Hanson and others against the passage of the Bill relative to studies in the public schools, and petition of the same in aid of the petition for amendments

of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Carrier of Methuen, petitions of Roland H. Sherman, Henry P. Moulton and other members of the Essex bar; and by Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition of James E. Kelley and other members of the Suffolk bar,—severally, in aid of the Bill to provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Brooks of Orange, petition of A. N. Blackford and others; by Mr. Fisher of Amherst, petition of E. A. Thompson and others; by Mr. Langford of Newton, petition of Charles E. Eddy and others; and by Mr. Smith of Dover, petition of Andrew Allen and others,—severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies.

Province Laws.
Transportation companies,—
weekly rest-day
for employees.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Smith of Dover, petition of the selectmen of the town of Wellesley for legislation to authorize said town to issue notes, bonds or scrip for the purpose of meeting the expense of purchasing land and establishing a public park or parks. Mr. Reed of Taunton moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Town of
Wellesley,—
indebtedness
for parks.

Mr. Swift of Tisbury presented remonstrances of Jason L. Dexter and others and Ezekiel H. Matthews and others,—severally, against the passage of the Bill to provide that the close season for duck shooting shall commence on the first day of March, and the same were placed on file.

Duck,—close
season.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence:—

Ordered, That the time within which joint committees shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended till Wednesday, March 22.

Joint committees,—
reports.

The following order, adopted by the Senate, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules:—

Committee on
Mercantile
Affairs, —
travel.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth and to Providence, Rhode Island, in the discharge of its duties.

Reports :

City of Boston,
— term of office
of mayor.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 149) of Edward F. Tracy and others for an amendment of the charter of the city of Boston relative to the term of office of mayor ; and

Elections, —
half-holiday.

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 110) of Charles F. Sargent and others for legislation to provide for a half-holiday on State and city elections ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Collection
agencies.

Relative to collection agencies (Senate, No. 86) ;

Insane women.

Relative to the conveyance of insane women to insane hospitals and asylums (printed as House, No. 490) ;

(Severally reported on a petition) ; and

Mechanical and
manufacturing
corporations

Relative to mechanical and manufacturing corporations (Senate, No. 223) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 85) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reports of Committees.

Milk peddlers,
— license fees.

By Mr. Shaw of Raynham, from the committee on Agriculture, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 659) of Frank H. Hill for legislation relative to the license fees of milk peddlers.

City of Boston,
— institutions
registration
department.

By Mr. Donovan of Taunton, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 680) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation to reorganize the institutions registration department of said city.

Commissioners
on Inland Fish-
eries and Game,
— fishways.

By Mr. Bridgeo of Marblehead, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 309) of the Southern Massachusetts Fish and Game League that the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game may be authorized

to reconstruct fishways, or build new ones, and take land for said purposes.

By Mr. Swift of Tisbury, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 688) of William L. Hooper and others for legislation relative to the prevention of the maintenance or operation of mackerel purse seines in the waters of the Commonwealth.

Fisheries, —
mackerel purse
seines.

By Mr. Battles of Brockton, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 695) of Horace K. Osborn and others for legislation to permit the taking of butter-fish in Buzzard's Bay by nets or weirs.

Buzzard's Bay,
— taking of
butter-fish by
nets or weirs.

By Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 689) of Joseph H. Atkins and others for legislation relative to the prevention of the maintenance or operation of menhaden purse seines in the waters of the Commonwealth. [Messrs. Bridgeo of Marblehead and Andrews of Nantucket, of the House, dissenting.]

Fisheries, —
menhaden
purse seines.

By Mr. Bushnell of Sheffield, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 311) of Charles C. Peck for legislation to make uniform the time within which the taking of certain birds and game is prohibited.

Birds and game,
— uniform close
season.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 512) of Heman S. Fay and others for legislation relative to the preservation of birds and game.

Birds and game,
— preservation.

By Mr. Williams of Foxborough, from the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 518) of Richard Cullinane for legislation relative to the hours of labor of employees of certain corporations.

Corporations, —
hours of labor
of employees.

By Mr. Gaddis of Boston, from the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 80) of George H. Moore and others for legislation to provide for the appointment of a board of license commissioners for the city of Boston and to define its powers and duties.

City of Boston,
— board of
license commis-
sioners.

By Mr. Kavanaugh of Montague, from the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with ac-

Taxation, —
personal prop-
erty and shares
of corporations.

companying bill, House, No. 18) of the Massachusetts Anti-Double Taxation League and others for legislation to exempt from taxation in the Commonwealth personal property situated and taxed without the Commonwealth and shares of certain corporations organized under the laws of other States. [Mr. Innes, of the Senate, and Mr. Luce of Somerville, of the House, dissenting.]

Taxation, —
foreign corpo-
rations.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 499) of Robert Luce for legislation relative to the taxation of foreign corporations having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth. [Messrs. Luce of Somerville and Prindle of Williamstown, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Milk, — inspec-
tion and sale.

By Mr. Ellsworth of Worcester, from the committee on Agriculture, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the inspection and sale of milk (House, No. 285) ought not to pass.

Quail.

By Mr. Andrews of Nantucket, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the preservation of quail (House, No. 564) ought not to pass.

City of Boston,
— board of
excise.

By Mr. Gaddis of Boston, from the committee on the Liquor Law, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to establish a board of excise for the city of Boston (House, No. 89) ought not to pass.

Prisoners, —
discharge of,
arrested for
drunkenness.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for the discharge of prisoners arrested for drunkenness, in certain cases, upon application (House, No. 543), ought not to pass.

Street railway
companies, —
special rates.

By Mr. Stone of Sharon, from the committee on Street Railways, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to compel street railway companies to make special rates for the transportation of working men, working women and children attending school (House, No. 365) ought not to pass.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

Town of Essex,
— small game.

By Mr. Mills of Newburyport, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on a petition (with accompanying

bill, House, No. 413), a Bill for the protection of small game in the town of Essex. (House, No. 953.)

By Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to provide that the close season for duck shooting shall commence on the first day of March (House, No. 394) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 952.)

Duck, — close season.

By Mr. Odlin of Andover, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 776) and on a bill introduced on leave (House, No. 66), a Bill relative to the rights of owners of real estate in the matter of granting of liquor licenses. (House, No. 954.) [Messrs. Harrington and Patch, of the Senate, and Messrs. Estes of Brockton and Litchfield of Lunenburg, of the House, dissenting.]

Intoxicating liquors, — rights of real estate owners.

By Mr. Wood of Woburn, from the committee on Prisons, that the Bill (recommitted) to regulate the discharge of convicts committed to prison or other places of confinement for non-payment of fine or fine and costs (House, No. 644) ought to pass, in a new draft, with a similar title. (House, No. 955.)

Convicts, — discharges.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the twenty-eighth annual report of the commissioners of Prisons (Pub. Doc. No. 13), in part, a Bill relative to the removal and transfer of prisoners. (House, No. 956.)

Prisoners, — removal and transfer.

By Mr. Skillings of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, on petitions (with accompanying bills, House, Nos. 614 and 615), a Bill to limit the time within which the Boston and Albany Railroad Company may take certain lands in Boston under the provisions of the act of incorporation of the Boston Terminal Company. (House, No. 957.)

Boston and Albany Railroad Company, — taking of land in the city of Boston.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Severance of Shelburne, from the committee on Agriculture, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the inspection of milk (House, No. 329) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Milk, — inspection.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Mills of Newburyport moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill relative to the taking of eels and clams

City of Newburyport and town of Salisbury, — taking of eels

and claims from
the Merrimac
River.

from the Merrimac River in the town of Salisbury and the city of Newburyport (House, No. 906).

After debate the motion prevailed, by a vote of 98 to 51, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Taken from the Table.

Town of
Revere, —
indebtedness
for highway
construction.

On motions of Mr. Howland of Chelsea, the report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 190) of the selectmen of the town of Revere for legislation to authorize said town to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of constructing highways, was taken from the table and recommitted.

City of Boston,
— loans for
extension of
water distribu-
tion system.

On motion of Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, the report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 607) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation to authorize said city to issue loans for the extension of its water distribution system, was taken from the table and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To incorporate the city of Melrose ;

To extend the time for the organization of the Taunton Safe Deposit and Trust Company ;

To authorize the change of names of insurance corporations ;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to abate and refund a part of the betterments assessed on account of the establishment of parks in said city ;

To authorize the sale of certain lands acquired for park purposes by the city of Cambridge ; and

Relative to search warrants authorizing search in the night time ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the city of Somerville to take land for an almshouse ;

To authorize the Cambridge Bridge Commission, with the consent of the United States Government, to construct the bridge to be built between Boston and Cambridge without a draw ;

Relative to the erection and alteration of buildings in the city of Boston; and

Relative to the inspection of milk;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve to provide for procuring special plans of the so-called Bulfinch part of the State House (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders of the Day.

Mr. Saunders of Boston moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to impose a tax on legacies, successions and certain other transfers and to provide for the distribution of the proceeds of the same (House, No. 654), which motion, after debate, was lost. Taxation, — legacies, successions and other transfers.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motions of Mr. Sullivan of Natick, the report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 594) of William R. Sessions and another for legislation to provide for the State assessment of personal property and the more complete taxation thereof, and on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 597) of William R. Sessions and another for legislation to tax the property of citizens of the Commonwealth held by foreign trustees, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table. Personal property, — State assessment; property held by foreign trustees, — taxation.

On motions of Mr. Stanley of Newburyport, the report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 21) of George A. Wheeler and others that the salary of the district attorney of the South-eastern District may be increased, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and recommitted, with instructions to report in the Senate, and sent up for concurrence. South-eastern District, — salary of district attorney.

On motions of Mr. Ames of Lowell, the Resolve to provide a suitable drill-shed for the mounted arms of the Militia, — drill-shed for mounted arms.

Massachusetts Volunteer Militia (House, No. 429) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and recommitted to the committee on Military Affairs, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by that committee.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 661) of the secretary of the Fitchburg Milk Dealers' Association for legislation relative to the licensing of milk dealers ; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 145) of Arthur M. Clement and others for legislation to protect orchards from the ravages of the disease known as " peach yellows ; "

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 677) of George H. Plumer and others for legislation relative to the election of assessors in the city of Newburyport ;

Of the committee on Counties, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 603) of the county commissioners of the county of Hampden for legislation to authorize them to employ some suitable person or persons to prepare a consolidated index of the records in the registry of deeds ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 691) of William D. Wheeler for legislation relative to the appointment of assessors and assistant assessors and the duties of the same in the city of Boston ;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 107) of Richard Cullinane for legislation relative to liens on buildings for materials furnished ;

On the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 108) of Chester Sprague and others for legislation relative to liens for materials furnished in buildings ;

On the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 109) of Joseph I. Stewart for the repeal of section 3 of chapter 191 of the Public Statutes relative to liens for materials furnished ;

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 435) of George W. Parks for legislation relative to preserving and enforcing liens ; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 81) of Benjamin H. Jones and another for legislation to provide for recording liens on real estate ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 128) of Peter F. Tague that former officers of the militia who joined provisional companies may be eligible for election to the offices previously held by them ;

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (recommitted, with accompanying bill, House, No. 792) of C. James Connelly for legislation relative to the transportation and burial of the dead ;

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the fifth annual report of the Board of Registration in Medicine (Pub. Doc. No. 56) ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 22) of James Means and others for legislation to incorporate the Massachusetts Electric Freight Company ; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 328) of George W. Allen for legislation relative to fares on street railways ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 134) of Charles F. Sargent and others that sanitaries for the free use of the public be maintained by all cities and towns having a water supply ;

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 164) of John A. Keliher that railroad corporations may be required to transport racing rowing shells free of charge ;

Of the committees on State House and Military Affairs, sitting jointly, reference to the next General Court, on the

petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 809) of B. F. Butler Post 42, G. A. R., for legislation to provide for the erection of an equestrian statue of Major-General Benjamin F. Butler on the State House grounds ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition of O. Crawford for legislation to facilitate the collection of taxes upon real estate ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Resolutions relative to mail contracts on stage routes (House, No. 269) were rejected, as recommended by the committee on Federal Relations, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia (House, No. 431) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Military Affairs, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to impose a tax on fermented liquors (House, No. 651) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Taxation, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Resolve relative to the reimbursement of the town of Saugus for expenditures on the Salem Turnpike (House, No. 125) was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Roads and Bridges, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Resolution relative to the placing of a steam launch and search light at the life-saving station in Dorchester Bay (House, No. 162) was adopted, and sent up for concurrence, as follows : —

Whereas, The life-saving station established by the United States government in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-six in that part of Boston harbor known as Dorchester bay, an anchoring ground for numerous yachts, has already proved of inestimable value, more than one hundred lives having been saved by the keeper and his crew ; and

Whereas, A steam launch and a search light would add greatly to the efficiency of the said station ;

Resolved, That our senators and representatives in Congress be requested to take such steps as may induce the United States government to furnish a steam launch and a search light for the life-saving station in Dorchester bay ; and that a copy of this resolution be sent to each of the said senators and representatives.

The Resolution offering the thanks of the Commonwealth to the soldiers and sailors who served in the war with Spain (House, No. 641) was adopted, and sent up for concurrence, as follows : —

Whereas, Massachusetts was always foremost in support of the country in its hour of need ; and

Whereas, She has ever taught her children that no sacrifices are too great to be made in upholding the principles for which our fathers fought and died ;

Resolved, That the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, appreciating the services of her sons who so nobly and ably upheld the traditions of Massachusetts on land and sea in the war with Spain, hereby convey to them the thanks of a grateful people.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Cambridge to make an additional park loan (House, No. 552) ;

Relative to the authority of the city of Cambridge to continue the pay of disabled officers and employees in certain cases (House, No. 666) ;

To authorize the town of Russell to refund a portion of its indebtedness (House, No. 900) ;

Making appropriations for the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes and for certain other expenses authorized by law (House, No. 942) ;

Relative to the expenses incurred under the act to provide for a system of sewage disposal for the Neponset River valley (House, No. 944) ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the District Court of Northern Berkshire (House, No. 946) ;

Relative to the age of subordinate officers at the State Prison and at the Massachusetts Reformatory (House, No. 948) ; and

To amend an act relative to animals affected with infectious diseases (printed as Senate, No. 91) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary (House, No. 361) ;

In favor of Jesse A. Viles (House, No. 857) ;

To provide for a farm building at the Medfield Insane Asylum (House, No. 951) ; and

To provide for the purchase of land for the use of the

Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded (printed as House, No. 503) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Woburn to issue additional water bonds (House, No. 859) ; and

Relative to territorial jurisdiction in certain inquest proceedings (House, No. 933) ; and

The Resolve in favor of John S. Gillis (House, No. 922) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Independent Congregational Church in Barton Square in Salem, the East Church Society in Salem and the Second Church in Salem to unite (House, No. 356) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment striking out section 5 and inserting in place thereof the following new section :
“*Section 5.* The records and other books and papers of said existing corporations shall be the property of said united corporation ; and certified copies of the votes of the said three existing corporations agreeing to the union authorized by this act, sworn to by the respective clerks and recorded in the registry of deeds for the southern district of Essex County, shall be sufficient evidence of the establishment of said united corporation.”

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Davis of Amesbury.

The Bill relative to the public health in towns (Senate, No. 55) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to extend the time within which the Pyncheon Safe Deposit and Trust Company may organize and begin business (House, No. 890), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was postponed for further consideration until Friday next, on motion of Mr. Harvell of Rockland, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading.

The Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game (House, No. 335) was considered, and after debate, the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Fisheries and Game, was negatived, by a vote of 45 to 77, and it was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

The Bill relative to the taking of bail by certain police officials (House, No. 217) was considered, and after debate was rejected, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, by a vote of 64 to 50, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth and suppressing the brown-tail moth (House, No. 915) was considered, and after debate, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading,

At twenty minutes before five o'clock, under the standing order, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 16, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

Labor, — reduction of wages in cotton mills.

By Mr. Ross of New Bedford, a Resolve relative to printing the report of the committee on Labor of the General Court of 1898 upon the subject of the reduction of wages in the cotton mills of the Commonwealth. The resolve having been read, Mr. Ross moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Petitions.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally presented and referred : —

Public schools, — physiology and hygiene.

By Mr. Andrews of Nantucket, petition of William B. Stevens, Lydia B. Chase and others; by Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition of G. Arthur Tapley, Mary E. Sargent and others; by Mr. Judd of Holyoke, petition of Palmer J. Davis, Emma L. Roby and others; by Mr. Miller of Pepperell, petition of Charles F. Butterfield, Mary E. Shaw and others; and by Mr. Moore of West Stockbridge, petition of Albert H. Plumb, Jr., Helen C. Barlow and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

First District Court of Barnstable, — sessions.

By Mr. Crosby of Barnstable, remonstrances of H. L. Chipman and others and P. H. Phinney and others, — severally, against granting the petition for legislation relative to the sessions of the First District Court of Barnstable.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Soldiers and sailors, — certain records.

By Mr. Litchfield of Lunenburg, petition of J. W. Staniford and others in aid of the petition for legislation to provide for a record of the Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the war of the rebellion. To the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Brooks of Orange, petition of Perry Marshall and another; by Mr. Chadwick of Newton, petition of D. N. B. Coffin and others; by Mr. Crosby of Attleborough, petition of Louis J. Lamb and others; by Mr. Driscoll of Chicopee, petition of Frank E. Smith and others; and by Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, petition of Arthur S. Burrows and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies.

Transportation companies, — weekly rest-day for employees.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, petition of W. H. I. Hayes for legislation relative to the election of city officers by city councils. Mr. Simmons of Grafton moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

City councils, — election of city officers.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Drainage, no legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of the State Board of Health on water supply and sewerage (Senate, No. 4) as relates to drainage and sewerage, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

State Board of Health, — report on drainage and sewerage.

Bills :

Relative to the membership of the Worcester Natural History Society (Senate, No. 174) (reported on a petition); and

Worcester Natural History Society.

Relative to the counting of ballots at elections (Senate, No. 226) (new draft of a bill, Senate, No. 33, introduced on leave);

Elections, — counting of ballots.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The House Bill to provide additional land and buildings for the truant school of the county of Middlesex at Chelmsford (House, No. 862) came down, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

County of Middlesex, — truant school at Chelmsford.

The House Bill to extend the time for the construction of the railroad of the Plymouth County Railroad Company and for other purposes (House, No. 892) came down

Plymouth County Railroad Company.

passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

City of Boston,
— additional
associate
justices of
municipal court.

A petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 237) of Alfred Hemenway and others for legislation to provide for the appointment of two additional associate justices of the municipal court of the city of Boston; and

Town of Milton,
— streets.

A petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 238) of the selectmen of the town of Milton for legislation to ratify and confirm the laying out, widening and altering of certain streets in said town;

Severally referred by the Senate to the joint committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each case; and

Metropolitan
water system,
— suits for dam-
ages.

A petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 239) of Henry F. Harris that the time within which owners of real estate may commence suits for damages, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 488 of the Acts of the year 1895, may be extended, referred by the Senate, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly;

Were severally referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Reports of Committees.

City councils,
— election of city
officers.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of W. H. I. Hayes for legislation relative to the election of city officers by city councils. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hayes, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Cities and sent up for concurrence.

Police court of
Haverhill,
— change of name
and jurisdiction.

By Mr. Selfridge of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill (introduced on leave) to change the name of the police court of Haverhill and to include the towns of Georgetown, West Newbury and Boxford within its judicial district (House, No. 757), and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Equitable
process.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, asking to be discharged from the fur-

ther consideration of the Bill (introduced on leave) to exempt from equitable process the sum of not less than ten dollars per week of a debtor's income (House, No. 545), and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 804) of E. E. Willard for legislation to impose penalties upon public officers who expend money in excess of appropriations, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Public officials,
— expenditures
in excess of
appropriations.

Severally read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Cook of Milford, from the committee on Labor, no legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of the Chief of the Massachusetts District Police (Pub. Doc. No. 32) as relates to the employment of labor. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

District Police,
— report on the
employment of
labor.

By Mr. Bartlett of Oxford, from the committee on Labor, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to laborers on public works (House, No. 336) ought not to pass. [Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, of the House, dissenting.]

Labor, — pub-
lic works.

By Mr. Estes of Brockton, from the committee on the Liquor Law, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the sale of intoxicating liquors on election days and holidays (House, No. 566) ought not to pass.

Intoxicating
liquors, — sale
on election days
and holidays.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to blasting within the metropolitan district (House, No. 262) ought not to pass.

Metropolitan
district, —
blasting.

By Mr. Jeremiah F. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, that the Bill (recommitted) relative to laundries and persons employed therein (House, No. 222) ought not to pass.

Laundries.

By Mr. Wells of Peabody, from the committee on Public Service, that the Bill (recommitted) to establish the salary of the assistant engineer at the State House (House, No. 725) ought not to pass.

State House, —
salary of assist-
ant engineer.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

Labor, —
weekly pay-
ment of wages.

By Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, from the committee on Labor, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to extend the application of the law relative to the weekly payment of wages (House, No. 454) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 961.)

Lawrence Home
for Aged
People, — will
of James M.
Wood.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 513), a Bill to authorize the trustees under the will of James M. Wood to convey an estate to the Lawrence Home for Aged People. (House, No. 963.)

Personal prop-
erty, — sale by
trustees.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (recommitted) to authorize the sale by trustees and guardians of personal property in certain cases (Senate, No. 17) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Bill to authorize the sale by trustees of personal property in certain cases." (House, No. 962.)

Blasting.

By Mr. Smith of Waltham, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to prevent unlawful blasting of rock, stone and any other substance. (House, No. 581.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Lyman School
for Boys, —
new building.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve to provide for a new building at the Lyman School for Boys ought to pass. (House, No. 958.)

State Industrial
School for
Girls, — new
building.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide for a new building at the State Industrial School for Girls ought to pass. (House, No. 959.)

Police court of
Lowell, —
salary of
assistant clerk.

By Mr. Mansfield of Lowell, from the committee on Counties on the part of the House, that the Bill to establish the salary of the assistant clerk of the police court of Lowell ought to pass. (House, No. 960.)

Massachusetts
Hospital for
Dipsomaniacs
and Inebriates,
— commit-
ments.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to commitments to the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates (House, No. 763) ought to pass.

State Prison, —
assistant watch-
men.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the committee on Prisons, that the Bill (recommitted) relative to the appointment of assistant watchmen at the State Prison ought to pass. (House, No. 964.)

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Leland of Templeton, from the committee on Education, on a petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 209), a Resolve in favor of the Lowell Textile School.

Lowell Textile School.

By Mr. Burrington of Franklin, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve relative to the purchase of additional land for the use of the State Normal School at North Adams. (House, No. 359.)

State Normal School at North Adams, — additional land.

By Mr. Smith of Dover, from the same committee, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) to provide suitable apparatus for the State Normal School at Lowell (House, No. 422) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title.

State Normal School at Lowell, — apparatus.

By Mr. Wells of Peabody, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to provide compensation for the Metropolitan Park Commission. (House, No. 724.)

Metropolitan Park Commissioners, — compensation.

By Mr. Stalker of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, that the Bill (taken from the Senate files of last year) relative to the crossings of railroads and public ways in East Boston (Senate, No. 90) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title.

East Boston, — grade crossings.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Harwood of Littleton, from the committee on Education, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) to provide for the erection of a building for a model and practice school in connection with the State Normal School at Fitchburg (House, No. 291) ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

State Normal School at Fitchburg, — model and practice school.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Lomasney of Boston, the Bill to provide for the further protection of the public health (House, No. 928) was taken from the table and was ordered to a third reading.

Public health.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to special commissioners ;

Bills enacted.

To authorize towns to print and publish their town records ;

To amend the charter of the South Middleborough Cemetery Association ;

To authorize the proprietors of the Catholic Cemetery in Dorchester to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To authorize the city of Worcester to change the grade of Belmont and Shrewsbury streets over land of the Commonwealth ;

To provide for the removal of the remains of the dead from the old burial lots in Malden ;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to vacate certain sewer assessments ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To authorize the International Trust Company to hold additional real estate (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

• Orders of the day.

Of the committee on Agriculture, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 659) of Frank H. Hill for legislation relative to the license fees of milk peddlers ;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 309) of the Southern Massachusetts Fish and Game League that the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game may be authorized to reconstruct fishways, or build new ones, and take land for said purposes ;

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 311) of Charles C. Peck for legislation to make uniform the time within which the taking of certain birds and game is prohibited ;

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 512) of Heman S. Fay and others for legislation relative to the preservation of birds and game ;

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 688) of William L. Hooper and others for legislation relative to the prevention of the maintenance or operation of mackerel purse seines in the waters of the Commonwealth ; and

On the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 695) of Horace K. Osborn and others for legislation to permit the taking of butter-fish in Buzzard's Bay by nets or weirs ; and

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 80) of George H. Moore and others for legislation to provide for the appointment of a board of license commissioners for the city of Boston and to define its powers and duties ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 149) of Edward F. Tracy and others for an amendment of the charter of the city of Boston relative to the term of office of mayor ; and

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 110) of Charles F. Sargent and others for legislation to provide for a half-holiday on State and city elections ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the inspection and sale of milk (House, No. 285) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Agriculture, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

To establish a board of excise for the city of Boston (House, No. 89) ; and

Relative to objections of owners of real estate in the matter of the granting of liquor licenses (House, No. 748) ;

Were severally rejected, as recommended, in each case, by the committee on the Liquor Law, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to provide for the discharge of prisoners arrested for drunkenness, in certain cases, upon application (House, No. 543), was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Probate and Insolvency, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

Relative to the inspection of milk (House, No. 329) ;

Relative to the tenure of office of the board of water commissioners in the city of Quincy (House, No. 572) ;

Relative to auctioneers (House, No. 949) ;

To provide that the close season for duck shooting shall commence on the first day of March (House, No. 952) ;

For the protection of small game in the town of Essex (House, No. 953) ;

Relative to the removal and transfer of prisoners (House, No. 956) ;

To limit the time within which the Boston and Albany Railroad Company may take certain lands in Boston under the provisions of the act of incorporation of the Boston Terminal Company (House, No. 957) ;

Relative to mechanical and manufacturing corporations (Senate, No. 223) ; and

Relative to the conveyance of insane women to insane hospitals and asylums (printed as House, No. 490) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Cambridge to make an additional park loan (House, No. 552) ;

Relative to the authority of the city of Cambridge to continue the pay of disabled officers and employees in certain cases (House, No. 666) ;

Relative to the powers of the trustees of the sinking fund of the water board of the city of Cambridge (House, No. 667) ;

To authorize the town of Russell to refund a part of its indebtedness (House, No. 900) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Relative to the order in which political designations shall be placed upon the official ballot in elections (House, No. 927) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Making appropriations for the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes and for certain other expenses authorized by law (House, No. 942) ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the District Court of Northern Berkshire (House, No. 946) ; and

Relative to the age of subordinate officers at the State Prison and at the Massachusetts Reformatory (House, No. 948) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Jesse A. Viles (House, No. 857) ; and

In favor of George E. McNeil (House, No. 916) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of Somerville to lay out and maintain a parkway (Senate, No. 214) ; and

The Resolve to provide for the purchase of land for the use of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded (printed as House, No. 503) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth and suppressing the brown-tail moth (House, No. 915), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

At twenty-three minutes past three o'clock, Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston moved that debate be closed at four o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached, and that speeches be limited to ten minutes each.

Subsequently, Mr. McCarthy asked unanimous consent to withdraw the motion. Objection was made by Mr. Judd of Holyoke.

After debate, at twenty-seven minutes before four o'clock, Mr. Mellen of Worcester raised the point of order that the motion to close debate at four o'clock was not properly before the House, as under House Rule 85 debate cannot be closed by a motion at a time less than thirty minutes from the time of the adoption of the motion.

Point of order.

The Speaker declared the point of order well taken.

After further debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Judd of Holyoke, by a vote of 104 to 16, the bill was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 113 to 54.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lowell, at seventeen minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned, the order requiring the Speaker to declare an adjournment at twenty minutes before five o'clock having been previously suspended, on motion of Mr. Bennett of Saugus.

FRIDAY, March 17, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

The consideration of the following order, offered by Mr. Hayes of Lowell, was postponed until Monday, at the request of Mr. Stone of Springfield : —

State Board of
Agriculture, —
gypsy moth and
brown-tail
moth.

Ordered, That the State Board of Agriculture report to the General Court as soon as possible the names of all persons employed by them or by their commissioners or agents since November first, 1898, in the extermination of the gypsy moth or the brown-tail moth, together with the names of those who recommended the employment of such persons or any of them.

Petitions.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally presented and referred : —

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

By Mr. Cook of Milford, petition of James A. Moore, Mary E. Dudley and others; by Mr. Crosby of Attleborough, petition of Robert Murphy, Emily L. Barden and others; by Mr. Dean of Brookline, petition of William E. Archibald, Henrietta McIver and others; by Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition of Joseph P. Bixby, Elihu Grant and others; by Mr. Hunt of Worcester, petition of Thomas W. Ferguson, Mary H. Goddard and others; by Mr. Lombard of Springfield, petition of Daniel A. Hopkins, Maude Knight and others; by Mr. Miller of Pepperell, petition of Alonzo A. Carr, Nellelu A. Smith and others; by Mr. Miller of Southwick, petition of Louis F. Freitag, Alice C. Francis and others; by Mr. Paton of Leominster, petition of M. C. Shedd, D. Ernest Burchstead and others; by Mr. Ross of Boston, petition of Charles Tilton, M. P. W. Kreutz and others; by Mr. Smith of Dover, petition of Henry F. Jones, Ella W. Steere and others; and by Mr. Swift of Tisbury, petition of Elmer E. Landers, M. W. Stockwell and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the

law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

By Mr. Goulding of Duxbury, remonstrance of Albert T. Sprague and others; and by Mr. King of Boston, remonstrance of Samuel B. Capen, R. S. Barrows and others, — severally, against the passage of the Bill relative to studies in the public schools, and petitions of the same in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Public schools,
— studies;
physiology and
hygiene.

Severally to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Harvell of Rockland, petition of F. O. Cunningham and others; by Mr. Lomasney of Boston, petitions of William Byrne and others and Charles I. Quirk and others; by Mr. Simmons of Grafton, petition of George L. Hibbard and others; and by Mr. Watson of Lowell, petition of C. E. Osgood and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies.

Transportation
companies, —
weekly rest-day
for employees.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

The following remonstrance and petitions were severally presented and placed on file: —

By Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, remonstrance of the board of estimate and apportionment of the city of Boston against the passage of the Bill relative to Malden Bridge, so called, in the city of Boston.

City of Boston,
— Malden
Bridge.

By Mr. Davis of Amesbury, petitions of Mary E. Blake, Daniel C. Maxfield and others, Hannah J. George, David C. Bartlett and others and Annie L. Marston, A. J. Pierce and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to enable women to vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses.

Woman
suffrage, —
license question.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence: —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of its duties.

Committee on
Insurance, —
travel.

A report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 669) of Francis W. Kittredge and others for an amendment to the building laws of the city of Boston, accepted by the

City of Boston,
— building
laws.

Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

City councils, —
election of city
officers.

A Bill relative to the election of city officers by city councils or by other municipal bodies or boards (Senate, No. 243) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Hayes of Lowell, the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Bills :

Mutual assess-
ment life insur-
ance corpora-
tions.

Relative to domestic and foreign mutual assessment life insurance corporations (Senate, No. 222) (reported on the Governor's address, Senate, No. 1, in part, on bills introduced on leave, Senate, No. 94 and House, Nos. 395 and 628, and on petitions, with accompanying bills, House, Nos. 234 and 700) ; and

City of Quincy,
— indebted-
ness.

To authorize the city of Quincy to refund a portion of its indebtedness (printed as House, No. 554) (reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Town of Med-
way, — water
supply.

The House Bill to supply the town of Medway with water (House, No. 908) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Williams of Foxborough, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

City of Boston,
— height of
buildings on
Beacon Hill.

Petitions of D. B. Fenn and others, George Higginson and others and Charles R. Russell and others, — severally, for such legislation as will restrict the height of buildings on Beacon Hill and protect the neighborhood of the State House and its adjacent grounds.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Transportation
companies, —
weekly rest-day
for employees.

Petition of Charles E. Fish and others in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies. To the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

A remonstrance of Andrew Sauer and others against the abolition of the present Board of Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game, referred by the Senate to the committee on Fisheries and Game, was placed on file.

Board of Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game.

The House petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 932) of J. B. Warner, attorney for Joseph Sawyer and Henry G. Nichols, for legislation to incorporate the Simmons Female College, referred by the House to the joint committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 9th joint rule and in instructions to the committee to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Simmons Female College.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 9th joint rule on the House petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 932) of J. B. Warner, attorney for Joseph Sawyer and Henry G. Nichols, for legislation to incorporate the Simmons Female College. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the House concurred with the Senate in the suspension of the 9th joint rule and in the instructions, and the petition was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Simmons Female College.

By Mr. Henderson of Rowley, from the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 487) of the Manufacturers Trust Company of Holyoke for authority to remove its principal place of business to the city of Boston and to purchase and hold real estate in said city for the transaction of its business.

Manufacturers Trust Company of Holyoke, — removal to Boston.

By Mr. Harlow of Whitman, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 587) of E. E. Willard for legislation to amend chapter 367 of the Acts of the year 1893 relative to the volunteer militia.

Militia.

By Mr. Bullock of New Bedford, from the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 796) of Israel B. Kron-

Pharmacy.

berger for amendments to the law relative to the practice of pharmacy.

Railroad companies, — sale of tickets in the suburban district of Boston.

By Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 590) of John H. Carter for legislation relative to the sale of tickets on railroads in the suburban district of the city of Boston.

Railroad companies, — workingmen's trains.

By Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 589) of Charles A. Dean for legislation relative to workingmen's trains and extending the time of service thereof.

Railroad companies, — fares in the vicinity of Boston.

By Mr. Ross of Boston, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 795) of George G. Tisbury and others for legislation to provide low rates for travel over railroads within a radius of twenty-five miles of the city of Boston.

Lynn and Boston Railroad Company, — free transfers.

By Mr. Seavey of Lynn, from the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 797) of William J. Brickley and others for legislation to require the Lynn and Boston Railroad Company to issue certain free transfers.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Intoxicating liquors, — rights of real estate owners.

By Mr. Minihan of Cambridge, from the committee on the Liquor Law, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the rights of owners of real estate in the matter of granting liquor licenses (House, No. 338) ought not to pass.

Sleeping cars.

By Mr. Reed of Taunton, from the committee on Railroads, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to sleeping cars (House, No. 648) ought not to pass.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

Milk, — production and distribution.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, from the committees on Public Health and Agriculture, sitting jointly, that the Resolve relative to an investigation of the production and distribution of milk (Senate, No. 218) ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on the rejection of the resolve.

By Mr. Trow of Salem, from the committee on Railroads, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to regulate passenger fares on railroads within the suburban district of Boston (House, No. 551) be referred to the next General Court. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on the reference of the bill to the next General Court.

Railroad companies, — fares in Boston suburban district.

By Mr. Foster of Boston, from the committee on Cities, that the Bill (recommitted) relative to park commissioners (House, No. 330) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title, "Bill relative to the appointment of park commissioners." (House, No. 968.)

Park commissioners.

By Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, from the committee on Counties, on the estimates of county receipts and expenditures (House, No. 310), in part, a Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Plymouth. (House, No. 969.)

County of Plymouth, — county tax.

By Mr. Francis of New Bedford, from the same committee, on the estimates of county receipts and expenditures (House, No. 310), in part, a Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Bristol. (House, No. 970.)

County of Bristol, — county tax.

By Mr. Bugbee of Monson, from the same committee, on the estimates of county receipts and expenditures (House, No. 310), in part, a Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Hampden. (House, No. 971.)

County of Hampden, — county tax.

By Mr. David A. Mahoney of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition, a Bill to extend the time within which the Marlborough and Westborough Street Railway Company may construct and operate its railway. (House, No. 844.)

Marlborough and Westborough Street Railway Company.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill relative to the admission of patients to the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics (Senate, No. 179) ought to pass.

Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics, — admission of patients.

By Mr. Ross of New Bedford, from the committee on Labor, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the employment of women and minors in mercantile establishments (House, No. 40) ought to pass.

Labor, — employment of women and minors in mercantile establishments

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to

District Court of Eastern Franklin.

establish the District Court of Eastern Franklin (House, No. 261) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Counties on the part of the House.

Teachers, —
summer
institutes.

By Mr. Fisher of Amherst, from the committee on Education, on the sixty-second annual report of the State Board of Education (Pub. Doc. No. 2), in part, a Resolve relative to summer institutes for teachers.

Worcester In-
sane Asylum, —
electric lighting.

By Mr. Chandler of Somerville, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Resolve to provide for equipping the Worcester Insane Asylum with a system of electric lighting. (Printed as Senate, No. 63.)

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To incorporate the Needham Cemetery Association ;
To incorporate the Bartlett Cemetery Association ;
To change the boundary line between the towns of Canton and Sharon ;
To authorize the city of Malden to incur indebtedness for park purposes beyond the limit fixed by law ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ; and
Relative to the public health in towns (which originated in the Senate) ;
Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

Animals, — In-
fectious
diseases.

On motion of Mr. Corey of Sturbridge, the Bill to amend an act relative to animals affected with infectious diseases (printed as Senate, No. 91) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a bill with a similar title (House, No. 965).

Pending the amendment and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was recommitted to the committee on Agriculture, on further motion of Mr. Corey.

*Orders of the Day.***Reports :**

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 680) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation to reorganize the institutions registration department of said city ; and

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 126) of John J. Mahoney that laborers employed under contract in the city of Boston shall be paid two dollars per day for nine hours' work ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Drainage, no legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of the State Board of Health on water supply and sewerage (Senate, No. 4) as relates to drainage and sewerage, was accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill to further regulate the inspection of buildings in the city of Boston (House, No. 386) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Cities, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the preservation of quail (House, No. 564) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Fisheries and Game, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to laundries and persons employed therein (House, No. 222) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Public Health, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

To repeal the law relative to standard record inks for public records (House, No. 646) ; and

To establish the salary of the assistant engineer at the State House (House, No. 725) ;

Were severally rejected, as recommended, in each case, by the committee on Public Service, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

Relative to the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors (House, No. 289) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Charles Bulle (House, No. 476) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to Mary A. Davis (House, No. 531) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Edward Melia (House, No. 532) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay the widow of John McGrath certain money (House, No. 561) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the mother of James F. Ryan (House, No. 570) ;

To prevent unlawful blasting of rock, stone and any other substance (House, No. 581) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Martin F. McDonald (House, No. 583) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to Lucy G. Kelly (House, No. 665) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to Ellen A. Murphy (House, No. 673) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of John Rossiter (House, No. 674) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the mother of Joseph D. Lane (House, No. 679) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Daniel F. Cadigan (House, No. 783) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the children of Frederic B. Bogan (House, No. 937) ;

Relative to the trustee process (House, No. 947) ;

To regulate the discharge of convicts committed to prison or other place of confinement for non-payment of fine or fine and costs (House, No. 955) ;

To establish the salary of the assistant clerk of the police court of Lowell (House, No. 960) ;

To authorize the sale by trustees of personal property in certain cases (House, No. 962) ;

To authorize the trustees under the will of James M. Wood to convey an estate to the Lawrence Home for Aged People (House, No. 963) ;

Relative to the appointment of assistant watchmen at the State Prison (House, No. 964) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to Sarah E. Leavitt (printed as Senate, No. 36) ;

Relative to the membership of the Worcester Natural History Society (Senate, No. 174) ; and

Relative to the counting of ballots at elections (Senate, No. 226) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to extend the time within which the Pyncheon Safe Deposit and Trust Company may organize and begin business (House, No. 890) was ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

Relative to the inspection of milk (House, No. 329); and

Relative to the removal and transfer of prisoners (House, No. 956); and

The Resolve to provide for a farm building at the Medfield Insane Asylum (House, No. 951);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the further protection of the public health (House, No. 928) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a "Bill to provide for the further protection of the public health in the city of Boston" (House, No. 967), which was read and substituted, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide that the close season for duck shooting shall commence on the first day of March (House, No. 952) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a bill with a similar title (House, No. 966), which was read and substituted, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the conveyance of insane women to insane hospitals and asylums (printed as House, No. 490) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 30) of the justice and clerk of the police court of Fitchburg that their salaries may be increased, was considered.

Mr. Blood of Fitchburg moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the police court of Fitchburg" (House, No. 30).

After debate the bill was substituted, and having been read was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Counties on the part of the House.

The report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 247) of the clerk of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex for an increase of salary, was considered.

Mr. Apsey of Cambridge moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex" (House, No. 247).

After debate the bill was substituted, by a vote of 56 to 37, and having been read was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Counties on the part of the House.

The Bill to impose a tax on legacies, successions and certain other transfers and to provide for the distribution of the proceeds of the same (House, No. 654) was read a third time.

Point of order.

Pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, Mr. Saunders of Boston raised the point of order that, under House Rule 44, the bill should have been referred to the committee on Ways and Means, as it involves an expenditure of public money.

The Speaker declared the point of order well taken, and the bill was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

The Bill to revise the charter of the city of Somerville (Senate, No. 209) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, striking out clause 3 of section 17 and inserting in place thereof the following: "3. Subject to the veto power of the mayor as hereinbefore provided, the exclusive power, without appeal from its decision, to lay out, locate anew, alter, widen and discontinue town ways and streets and to order specific repairs or a change of grade therein; to order the construction of sidewalks and of sewers, and to take land therefor. Damages to property sustained by reason of any act done under the provisions of this section by the said board shall be assessed and awarded by the said board; and any person aggrieved by the assessment of his damages may have the remedies provided by general law

in the case of town ways. But no town way or street shall be laid out, located anew, changed as to its grade or otherwise, widened or discontinued, until a public hearing has been had, after notice given in accordance with the general laws relating to town ways. Said hearing may be adjourned from time to time."

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend by striking out section 36 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "*Section 36.* As soon after the organization of the city government under this act as may be convenient, the mayor shall appoint, subject to the confirmation of the board of aldermen, five persons to be assessors of taxes, two of whom shall belong to the leading minority political party, to serve, two for three years, two for two years, and one for one year, and thereafter the mayor shall annually, as soon after the organization of the government as may be convenient, appoint in the same manner a person or persons, for a term of three years, to succeed those whose respective terms of office shall have expired: *provided, however,* that all appointments so made shall be made in such manner that the board of assessors shall at all times have at least two members who shall belong to the leading minority political party. The persons appointed shall constitute the board of assessors, and shall exercise the powers and be subject to the liabilities and duties prescribed by the general laws of the Commonwealth and the ordinances of the city. Vacancies occurring in the board of assessors may be filled in the same manner, but only for the unexpired term. One member of the board of assessors shall be designated annually by the mayor, without confirmation, as chairman of said board. He shall devote his whole time to the duties of the office, and shall have general supervision and control of all matters properly appertaining to his department not expressly provided for by law. The mayor shall annually, as soon after the organization of the government as may be convenient, appoint such assistant assessors and clerks as may be deemed necessary: *provided, however,* that all assistant assessors and clerks so appointed shall be appointed in equal numbers from the two leading political parties, and shall be assigned to the various assessment districts so that the assistant assessors and clerks assigned to any district shall equally represent such parties."

Pending the amendments and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence,

it was postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, on further motion of Mr. Mellen.

The petition of the mayor of the city of Newburyport for legislation to establish a water board for said city in place of the present water commissioners was considered, and after debate the House refused to suspend the 12th joint rule, by a vote of 79 to 45 (four-fifths of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative), and the petition was referred, under said rule, to the next General Court.

The Bill making the State election day a half-holiday (House, No. 334) was considered, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Election Laws.

After debate the yeas and nays were ordered on the question on the rejection of the bill, at the request of Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, and the roll being called the bill was rejected, as recommended by the committee, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The vote was 85 yeas to 83 nays, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.
Adams, Charles H.
Andrews, David B.
Balcom, George
Bartlett, Edwin
Brigham, William M.
Burgess, Albert H.
Burrington, Lester L.
Campbell, Andrew
Carleton, George H.
Chadwick, N. Henry
Chandler, Leonard B.
Chapple, William D.
Chase, Henry L.
Cluer, Arthur H.
Conwell, Robert E.
Cook, Clifford A.
Coolidge, Daniel S.
Crosby, Alfred R.
Crosby, J. Howell
Cullinane, Richard
Dalton, J. Frank
Donovan, James H.

Messrs. Dooling, Thomas J.
Dudley, George J.
Dyer, George N.
Eddy, Curtis
Ellsworth, J. Lewis
Fisher, George E.
Goulding, Albert M.
Harlow, Franklin P.
Harwood, Herbert J.
Haskins, Leander M.
Hayes, William H. I.
Haywood, Charles E.
Heath, Guilford P.
Henderson, Francis D.
Hooper, Franklin K.
Hopewell, William
Horton, Henry T.
Howland, Willard
Judd, William E.
King, Randolph V.
Langford, John T.
Learoyd, Addison P.
Leland, Francis

Messrs. Leslie, George F.
 Libby, John F.
 Litchfield, James A.
 Litchfield, William C.
 Lombard, Edward M.
 Luce, Robert
 McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
 Mills, Charles P.
 Morse, Merrick A.
 Munroe, John P.
 Murphy, Mortimer D.A.
 Myers, James J.
 Newton, Phinehas S.
 Parker, William C.
 Persons, Charles H.
 Porter, Thomas F.
 Powers, John A.
 Robinson, Lewis D.
 Sands, Edward P.
 Saunders, Charles R.

Messrs. Seavey, James F.
 Selfridge, George S.
 Shaw, Nathan W.
 Sheppard, Eben W.
 Simmons, Arthur A.
 Skillings, William E.
 Skinner, Henry R.
 Smith, Allen F.
 Smith, Charles F. A.
 Spooner, Wallace
 Stalker, Hugh L.
 Stanley, Benjamin F.
 Stone, Silas A.
 Tatman, Charles T.
 Trow, Charles E.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Upson, Charles H.
 Wentworth, Edward E.
 Williams, George F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Battles, David W.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bleiler, John
 Blood, Charles H.
 Bresnahan, Hugh W.
 Bridgeo, William
 Briggs, Clarence A.
 Brooks, Charles C.
 Bugbee, Nelson A.
 Bullock, William J.
 Carey, James F.
 Clerke, Charles S.
 Crosby, Aaron S.
 Daly, William
 Davenport, William A.
 Davis, William R.
 Dean, Charles A.
 Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
 Dillon, Thomas J.
 Donahue, Thomas
 Donovan, Edward J.
 Donovan, Eugene E.
 Estes, Eugene B.
 Favor, John
 Flanagan, John J.
 Francis, Frank W.
 Gartland, John J., Jr.

Messrs. Green, Thomas H.
 Grimes, James W.
 Hagberg, John G.
 Hancock, Portus B.
 Harvell, Elisha T.
 Howard, Robert
 Hunt, James
 Huntress, Franklin E.
 Johnson, Charles R.
 Kane, Daniel J.
 Keyou, Nicholas B.
 King, Charles F.
 Lockhart, Alexander
 Lomasney, Martin M.
 Lowe, John H.
 Mackey, Thomas
 Mahoney, David A.
 Mahony, Frederick C.
 Mansfield, Matthew M.
 Marchesseault, Eugene D.
 Marden, William H.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
 McIsaac, Daniel V.
 McLoughlin, William I.
 Mellen, James H.
 Miller, William J.
 Minihan, Cornelius

Messrs. Minton, John M.	Messrs. Sisson, Robert S.
Montgomery, James A.	Sparks, John T.
Morrison, Andrew H.	Sprague, Eugene H.
Neal, David	Stone, Willmore B.
Newton, H. Huestis	Sullivan, Timothy F.
Odlin, William	Toland, John I.
Queeney, James H.	Tolman, William
Ray, Albert H.	Toomey, John J.
Reed, Silas D.	Twomey, Edmund J.
Root, Albert B.	Whall, Harry B.
Ross, Leonard W.	Wheeler, William D.
Rounseville, Albert	Whelan, John B.
Salter, William R.	Whipple, John J.
Scates, Louis M.	Wood, Alva S.
Severance, Joseph C.	

85 yeas ; 83 nays.

The Bill relative to Malden Bridge, so called, in the city of Boston (House, No. 936) was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day, on motion of Mr. Newton of Everett.

The House refused to concur with the Senate in its amendments to the House Bill relative to legacies (House, No. 442), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Resolve in favor of an increased annuity to George O. Bent of Framingham (House, No. 805) was read a second time, and after debate the House refused to order it to a third reading, by a vote of 24 to 52.

The report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 794) of the Staples Coal Company and others for legislation to regulate the width of tires on draught wagons, was taken up.

Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, Mr. Saunders of Boston moved that the House adjourn, which motion was adopted, by a vote of 53 to 47, and accordingly, at twenty-eight minutes before four o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, March 20, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

The order requesting the State Board of Agriculture to report the names of all persons employed by them or by their commissioners or agents since November first, 1898, in the extermination of the gypsy moth or the brown-tail moth, together with the names of those who recommended the employment of such persons or any of them, the consideration of which was postponed from Friday last, was rejected.

State Board of Agriculture, — gypsy moth and brown-tail moth.

Petitions.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally presented and referred: —

By Mr. Dean of Wakefield, petition of Faneuil Hall Chapter, D. A. R.; and by Mr. Wheeler of Boston, petition of Frederick Hammond and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston.

City of Boston, — height of buildings on Beacon Hill.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Adams of Barre, petition of A. E. Hurd, Ida L. Seaver and others; by Mr. Battles of Brockton, petition of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. of Brockton; by Mr. Crouch of Northampton, petition of Daniel L. MacDonald, Sarah E. Piper and others; by Mr. Drake of Canton, petition of Robert McAlpine, Annette R. Horton and others; by Mr. Frost of Lawrence, petition of the Y. P. S. C. E. of the Lawrence Street Congregational Church of Lawrence; by Mr. Keyou of Medford, petitions of the Union Congregational Church and Y. P. S. C. E. of Medford and the Mystic Church Y. P. S. C. E. of Medford; by Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Bos-

Public schools, — physiology and hygiene.

ton, petition of the Trinity and Monument Square M. E. Churches of Charlestown; by Mr. Mead of Everett, petition of Golden Star Division No. 84, Sons of Temperance; by Mr. Odlin of Andover, petition of the Y. P. S. C. E. of Middleton; by Mr. Prindle of Williamstown, petition of Joseph Wellspeak, Emily H. Stocking and others; by Mr. Shaw of Raynham, petition of the Easton Y. P. S. C. E.; by Mr. Turner of Malden, petitions of the Malden Prohibition Club and the W. C. T. U. of Malden; by Mr. Weston of Hyde Park, petition of the Clarendon Congregational Church of Hyde Park; and by Mr. Wheeler of Boston, petition of Alonzo Meserve, Jesse Wagner and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Public schools,
— studies;
physiology and
hygiene.

By Mr. Williams of Foxborough, remonstrance of F. J. Hale and others against the passage of the Bill relative to studies in the public schools, and petition of the same in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

First District
Court of
Barnstable, —
sessions.

By Mr. Crosby of Barnstable, remonstrances of David D. Nye and others and E. B. Robinson, Jr., and others, — severally, against granting the petition for legislation relative to the sessions of the First District Court of Barnstable.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Transportation
companies, —
weekly rest-day
for employees.

By Mr. Chase of Westborough, petition of Albert E. Hylan, Jane M. Chase and others; by Mr. Dean of Wakefield, petition of George L. Stuart and others; by Mr. Grimes of Reading, petition of F. L. Sylvester and others; by Mr. Keyou of Medford, petition of George S. Chadbourne and others; and by Mr. Williams of Foxborough, petition of F. J. Hale, Edith J. Ricker and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

City of Boston,
— father of
Thomas L.
Rourke.

By Mr. Kane of Boston, petition of Daniel J. Kane that the city of Boston may be authorized to pay a sum of money to the father of Thomas L. Rourke. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended,

which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Mr. Adams of Melrose presented a remonstrance of a patriotic meeting held in People's Temple against the passage of the Resolve in favor of the Carney Hospital, and the same was placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Public Service, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 163) of John J. Mahoney and others that Saturday half-holidays be given to State, city, town and county employees, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary ; and

Of the same committee, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of Henry C. Attwill for legislation to extend the provisions of chapter 561 of the Acts of the year 1898 to all persons who entered the military or naval service of the United States for the purpose of taking part in the war with the kingdom of Spain, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Military Affairs ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 765) of Joseph D. Connor for legislation relative to the sale of milk from sick or diseased cows ;

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 678) of Edward P. Sands for legislation relative to the care and custody of public baths in the city of Boston ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 182) of Richard L. Gay for legislation to authorize the nomination of senators in Suffolk senatorial districts by direct vote in caucuses ; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 685) of Jeremiah F. McCarthy for legislation relative to the nomination of State senators by the direct vote of the people in caucuses ; and

City of Boston,
— tunnel to
East Boston.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioner, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 471) of John W. Ayers for legislation relative to the construction of a tunnel from Boston proper to East Boston;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

City of Quincy,
— indebtedness
for street im-
provements.

To authorize the city of Quincy to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for street improvements (Senate, No. 227) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, House, No. 571);

County of
Worcester, —
court house.

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Worcester to borrow money for completing, equipping and furnishing the court house at Worcester (Senate, No. 228) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 77); and

Subpœnas and
precepts for
elections.

Relative to fees for serving precepts for elections and subpœnas (Senate, No. 231) (reported on the number of assessed polls, registered voters, etc., Pub. Doc. No. 43, in part);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reports of Committees.

Town of
Wellesley, —
indebtedness
for parks.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Wellesley for legislation to authorize said town to issue notes, bonds or scrip for the purpose of meeting the expense of purchasing land and establishing a public park or parks. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 973) was referred to the committee on Towns.

Town of Mel-
rose, — 250th
anniversary of
the town of
Malden.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize the town of Melrose to appropriate a sum of money for celebrating the 250th anniversary of the town of Malden. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended,

and the bill (House, No. 974) was referred to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 238) of the selectmen of the town of Milton for legislation to ratify and confirm the laying out, widening and altering of certain streets in said town. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Town of Milton, — streets.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 239) of Henry F. Harris that the time within which owners of real estate may commence suits for damages, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 488 of the Acts of the year 1895, may be extended. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly.

Metropolitan water system, — suits for damages.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the Resolve (introduced on leave) in favor of Samuel T. Davis (Senate, No. 229). Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the resolve was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Samuel T. Davis.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 237) of Alfred Hemenway and others for legislation to provide for the appointment of two additional associate justices of the municipal court of the city of Boston. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr.

City of Boston, — additional associate justices of the municipal court.

Stone of Springfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Town of
Middleborough,
—sewerage
system.

By Mr. Dyer of Gardner, from the committee on Drainage, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 770) of Charles E. Grinnell for legislation to authorize the town of Middleborough to construct a system of sewerage and to provide for the payment of the cost thereof.

Intoxicating
liquors, — sixth-
class licenses.

By Mr. Estes of Brockton, from the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 704) of William Kells, Jr., for legislation relative to the granting of sixth-class licenses to druggists.

Arrests without
warrant.

By Mr. Libby of Medford, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 178) of Arthur A. Maxwell for a modification of the law relative to the disposition of cases in which arrests are made without warrant.

Unlicensed
dogs.

By Mr. McLoughlin of Worcester, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 432) of John C. Kennedy and others for legislation relative to the penalty for keeping unlicensed dogs.

Labor, —
defrauding of
wage earners.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 573) of Thomas I. Hogan for legislation to prevent the defrauding of wage earners by unscrupulous employers.

Town of
Lincoln, —
judicial district.

By Mr. Haywood of Lynn, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 176) of William S. Briggs and others that the town of Lincoln may be included in the judicial district of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of Boston,
— contracts for
public works.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the committee on Labor, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to contracts made by the city of Boston for public works (House, No. 258) ought not to pass.

Labor, — regu-
lation.

By Mr. Williams of Foxborough, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to regulate the employment of labor (House, No. 159) ought not to pass.

By Mr. Turner of Malden, from the committee on Manufactures, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the purchase of gas and electric light plants by cities and towns (House, No. 339) ought not to pass. Municipal gas and electric light plants.

By Mr. Campbell of Westfield, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to establish a nautical training school (House, No. 639) ought not to pass. Nautical training school.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. Henderson of Rowley, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on Part II. of the twenty-third annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks (Pub. Doc. No. 8), a Bill to exempt certain loan companies from procuring local licenses. (House, No. 975.) Loan companies, — local licenses.

By Mr. Whall of Boston, from the committee on Insurance, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 158), a Bill to incorporate the Street Railway Mutual Insurance Company. (House, No. 976.) Street Railway Mutual Insurance Company.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 913) and on a bill introduced on leave (House, No. 563), a Bill to prevent the improper use of the flag of the United States or of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. (House, No. 977.) Flags.

By Mr. Miller of Pepperell, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, that the Bill (recommitted) to provide a penalty for trespassing upon bicycle paths (House, No. 793) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 978.) Bicycle paths.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, from the committee on Labor, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to prevent coercion of employees (House, No. 565) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading. Labor, — coercion of employees.

By Mr. Lowe of New Bedford, from the committee on Education, on the sixty-second annual report of the State Board of Education (Pub. Doc. No. 2), in part, a Resolve to provide for a State exhibit of drawing in the public schools. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means. Public schools, — exhibit of drawing.

Reconsideration.

City of New-
buryport, —
water board.

Mr. Mills of Newburyport moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, refused to suspend the 12th joint rule on the petition of the mayor of the city of Newburyport for legislation to establish a water board for said city in place of the present water commissioners, which motion, after debate, was adopted, by a vote of 96 to 35.

On the recurring question on the suspension of the 12th joint rule, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mills, and the roll being called the House refused to suspend the rule (four-fifths of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative), and the petition was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

The vote was 122 yeas to 59 nays, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles H.	Messrs. Donovan, James H.
Ainsworth, Wilfred	Donovan, Michael J.
Apsey, Albert S.	Dooling, Thomas J.
Battles, David W.	Drake, Frederic P.
Blood, Charles H.	Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
Bresnahan, Hugh W.	Eddy, Curtis
Bridgeo, William	Ellsworth, J. Lewis
Brooks, Charles C.	Estes, Eugene B.
Brown, Henry L.	Fitts, Frank E.
Bullock, William J.	Fitzgerald, William T. A.
Carey, James F.	Flanagan, John J.
Chadwick, N. Henry	Francis, Frank W.
Chandler, Leonard B.	Frost, Archie N.
Chapple, William D.	Gartland, John J., Jr.
Cole, Samuel	Gilpatric, Fred C.
Conwell, Robert E.	Goulding, Albert M.
Coolidge, Daniel S.	Hagberg, John G.
Crosby, Aaron S.	Hancock, Portus B.
Crosby, Alfred R.	Harlow, Franklin P.
Crosby, J. Howell	Harriman, Charles H.
Crouch, Charles S.	Hayes, William H. I.
Cullinane, Richard	Heath, Guilford P.
Daly, William	Henderson, Francis D.
Davenport, William A.	Horton, Henry T.
Dean, Charles A.	Howard, Robert
Dewey, Frank S., Jr.	Howland, Charles W.
Donahue, Thomas	Johnson, Charles R.
Donovan, Eugene E.	Jones, Michael B.

Messrs. Kane, Daniel J.
 Kells, William, Jr.
 Keyou, Nicholas B.
 King, Charles F.
 King, Randolph V.
 Kyle, William S.
 Lanergan, John P.
 Langford, John T.
 Leland, Francis
 Litchfield, James A.
 Litchfield, William C.
 Lockhart, Alexander
 Love, Joseph P.
 Lowe, John H.
 Luce, Robert
 Mackey, Thomas
 Mahoney, David A.
 Mahony, Frederick C.
 Marchant, Charles S.
 Marchesseault, Eugene D.
 Marden, William H.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
 McIsaac, Daniel V.
 McLoughlin, William I.
 Mellen, James H.
 Miller, Charles H.
 Mills, Charles P.
 Minihan, Cornelius
 Minton, John M.
 Montgomery, James A.
 Morrison, Andrew H.
 Morse, Merrick A.
 Munroe, John P.

Messrs. Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
 Neal, David
 Paton, Alexander S.
 Pike, William T.
 Porter, Thomas F.
 Queeney, James H.
 Quigley, William J.
 Ray, Albert H.
 Root, Albert B.
 Ross, Samuel
 Rounseville, Albert
 Salter, William R.
 Sands, Edward P.
 Scates, Louis M.
 Severance, Joseph C.
 Sheppard, Eben W.
 Sparks, John T.
 Spooner, Wallace
 Sprague, Eugene H.
 Stalker, Hugh L.
 Toland, John I.
 Tolman, William
 Toomey, John J.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Twombly, Horatio F.
 Twomey, Edmund J.
 Wallace, S. Ives
 Wells, Abelard E.
 Whall, Harry B.
 Whelan, John B.
 Whipple, John J.
 Williams, George F.
 Wood, Alva S.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ames, Butler
 Balcom, George
 Bartlett, Edwin
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bleiler, John
 Briggs, Clarence A.
 Brigham, William M.
 Bugbee, Nelson A.
 Burrington, Lester L.
 Campbell, Andrew
 Carleton, George H.
 Clerke, Charles S.
 Cluer, Arthur H.
 Corey, Charles V.
 Carrier, Guy W.

Messrs. Dalton, J. Frank
 Davis, William R.
 Donovan, Edward J.
 Dyer, George N.
 Grant, Oliver S.
 Grimes, James W.
 Harwood, George F.
 Harwood, Herbert J.
 Hawes, Martin E.
 Hopewell, William
 Hunt, James
 Huntress, Franklin E.
 Judd, William E.
 Kavenaugh, John E.
 Learoyd, Addison P.

Messrs. Libby, John F.	Messrs. Saunders, Charles R.
Lombard, Edward M.	Selfridge, George S.
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.	Shaw, Nathan W.
Mead, Edward C.	Skillings, William E.
Miller, Calvin S.	Smith, Allen F.
Miller, William J.	Smith, Charles F. A.
Myers, James J.	Stanley, Benjamin F.
Newton, H. Huestis	Stone, Silas A.
Newton, Phineas S.	Stone, Willmore B.
Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.	Sullivan, Timothy F.
Parker, William C.	Tatman, Charles T.
Puffer, Herbert C.	Trow, Charles E.
Reed, Silas D.	Wentworth, Edward E.
Robinson, Lewis D.	Willard, Edward E.
Ross, Leonard W.	

122 yeas ; 59 nays.

George O.
Bent, —
increased
annuity.

Mr. Twombly of Framingham moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, refused to order to a third reading the Resolve in favor of an increased annuity to George O. Bent of Framingham (House, No. 805). On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

City of Boston,
— institutions
registration
department.

On motion of Mr. Minton of Boston, the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, accepted the report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 680) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation to reorganize the institutions registration department of said city, was reconsidered, by a vote of 53 to 50.

Pending the recurring question on the acceptance of the report, it was recommitted, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the care of the State Library ;

Relative to the alewife fishery in Herring or Monument River in the town of Bourne ;

To authorize the town of Middleton to aid in the construction of a street railway ;

To provide for the better enforcement of the building laws of the city of Boston ;

To provide for the purchase of land in Dedham to be used for the construction of a registry of deeds and of probate ;

To extend the time for the construction of the railroad of the Plymouth County Railroad Company and for other purposes ;

To provide for the appointment of an assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Hampshire ;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of constructing sewers ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relative to juvenile offenders in need of hospital treatment ; and

Relative to the election of city officers by city councils or by other municipal bodies or boards ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Relative to the disposition of battle flags ;

To provide for the purchase of machinery for the Westborough Insane Hospital ;

To provide for a barn at the Westborough Insane Hospital ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To provide for the purchase of land for the use of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motions of Mr. Salter of Lynn, the report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 794) of the Staples Coal Company and others for legislation to regulate the width of tires on draught wagons, being the unfinished business of Friday last, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next.

Draught
wagons, —
width of tires.

On motions of Mr. Puffer of Springfield, the bills :

To authorize the city of Springfield and the city of Chicopee to make agreements for an interchange of fire department service (House, No. 602) ; and

Cities of Springfield and Chicopee, — fire department service.

City of Springfield and town of West Springfield, — fire department service.

To authorize the city of Springfield to furnish the town of West Springfield with fire department service (House, No. 617) ;

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case. They were severally read a second time and were referred to the next General Court, on further motions of the same gentleman, pending the question, in each case, on ordering the bill to a third reading.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the day.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 487) of the Manufacturers Trust Company of Holyoke for authority to remove its principal place of business to the city of Boston and to purchase and hold real estate in said city for the transaction of its business ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 587) of E. E. Willard for legislation to amend chapter 367 of the Acts of the year 1893 relative to the volunteer militia ; and

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 796) of Israel B. Kronberger for amendments to the law relative to the practice of pharmacy ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 669) of Francis W. Kittredge and others for an amendment to the building laws of the city of Boston, was accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the sale of intoxicating liquors on election days and holidays (House, No. 566) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Liquor Law, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to blasting within the metropolitan district (House, No. 262) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Probate and Insolvency, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Resolve relative to an investigation of the production and distribution of milk (Senate, No. 218) was rejected, as recommended by the committees on Public

Health and Agriculture, sitting jointly, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Resolutions relative to a federal law making eight hours a working day (House, No. 939) were adopted, and sent up for concurrence, their title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read "Resolutions relative to the proposed Constitutional amendment giving Congress authority to establish uniform hours of labor in manufactories."

The resolutions (see House, No. 979) were as follows : —

Resolved, That the General Court hereby approves the endeavor of the Honorable William C. Lovering, member of Congress from this State, to procure the submission to the several States by Congress of a constitutional amendment giving Congress authority to establish uniform hours of labor in manufactories throughout the United States.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to each of the United States senators and to the several representatives from this State.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendment to the House Bill to provide additional land and buildings for the truant school of the county of Middlesex at Chelmsford (House, No. 862), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Bills :

Relative to the employment of women and minors in mercantile establishments (House, No. 40) ;

To extend the time within which the Marlborough and Westborough Street Railway Company may construct and operate its railway (House, No. 844) ;

Making an appropriation for current expenses at the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates (House, No. 943) ;

Relative to the licensing of lunch wagons (House, No. 945) ;

To extend the application of the law relative to the weekly payment of wages (House, No. 961) ;

Relative to collection agencies (Senate, No. 86) ;

Relative to the admission of patients to the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics (Senate, No. 179) ;

To authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to loan upon the bonds of the Boston Terminal Company (Senate, No. 220) ; and

To authorize the city of Quincy to refund a portion of its indebtedness (printed as House, No. 554) ; and

Resolves :

To provide for a new building at the State Industrial School for Girls (House, No. 959) ;

Granting a county tax for the county of Plymouth (House, No. 969) ;

Granting a county tax for the county of Bristol (House, No. 970) ; and

Granting a county tax for the county of Hampden (House, No. 971) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Charles Bulle (House, No. 476) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to Mary A. Davis (House, No. 531) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Edward Melia (House, No. 532) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the mother of James F. Ryan (House, No. 570) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Martin F. McDonald (House, No. 583) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to Lucy G. Kelly (House, No. 665) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to Ellen A. Murphy (House, No. 673) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of John Rossiter (House, No. 674) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the mother of Joseph D. Lane (House, No. 679) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Daniel F. Cadigan (House, No. 783) ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the children of Frederic B. Bogan (House, No. 937) ;

Relative to the trustee process (House, No. 947) ;

To regulate the discharge of convicts committed to prison or other place of confinement for non-payment of fine or fine and costs (House, No. 955) ;

To authorize the trustees under the will of James M. Wood to convey an estate to the Lawrence Home for Aged People (House, No. 963) ;

Relative to the appointment of assistant watchmen at the State Prison (House, No. 964) ; and

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to Sarah E. Leavitt (printed as Senate, No. 36) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay the widow of John McGrath certain money (House, No. 561) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, adding a new section, as follows : “ *Section 2.* This act shall take effect upon its passage.”

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read “ Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of John McGrath.”

The Bill to authorize the town of Southbridge to construct and maintain a system of sewerage and sewage disposal (House, No. 935) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, striking out section 3 and inserting in place thereof the following new section : “ *Section 3.* Said board shall consist of three commissioners, to be called the board of sewer commissioners of the town of Southbridge, who shall be citizens and residents of said town, and shall be elected by ballot at a special meeting, or at an annual meeting of said town, one commissioner to hold office for one year, one for two years, and one for three years, respectively, from the date of the annual town meeting next succeeding the date of his election, if he was elected at a special meeting, and from the date of his election if he was elected at an annual meeting, or until his successor is elected and qualified ; and at each annual town meeting thereafter said town shall elect one member of said board to serve three years or until his successor is elected and qualified. If a vacancy shall occur in said board, said town may at a meeting called for that purpose elect a person to fill such vacancy, or the vacancy may be filled at the next annual town meeting. Said town shall fix the compensation to be paid to said board.”

The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to the membership of the Worcester Natural History Society (Senate, No. 174) ; and

Relative to mechanical and manufacturing corporations (Senate, No. 223) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill for the further protection of trade marks (House, No. 440) was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Blood of Fitchburg, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary.

The Resolutions relative to the admission of Brigham H. Roberts of Utah to a seat in the Fifty-sixth Congress of the United States (House, No. 940) were considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Smith of Waltham, were adopted, by a vote of 68 to 59, and sent up for concurrence, as follows : —

Resolved, That the General Court of Massachusetts desires to record its opinion that Brigham H. Roberts of Utah should be refused a seat in the Congress of the United States, to the end that the seal of condemnation may be set against polygamy, the degradation of womanhood and the violation of moral law.

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be transmitted to the representatives from this Commonwealth in the Fifty-sixth Congress as soon as that body shall have convened.

The Resolve in favor of the Carney Hospital (House, No. 950) was considered, and after debate, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading,

At twenty minutes before five o'clock, under the standing order, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 21, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Bill Ordered Printed.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Cambridge, one hundred copies of a Bill to incorporate the Waltham, Ayer and Pepperell Street Railway Company were ordered printed for the use of the committee on Street Railways.

Waltham, Ayer
and Pepperell
Street Railway
Company.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Marden of Stoneham, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs be granted until Wednesday, March 29, to report upon matters referred to it previously to the second Wednesday in March.

Committee on
Military Affairs,
— reports.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report.

A report of the State Board of Agriculture, acting as overseers of the Massachusetts Agricultural College (see Pub. Doc. No. 4), was received and was referred to the committee on Agriculture and sent up for concurrence.

State Board of
Agriculture, —
Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

Resolutions Presented.

By Mr. Crouch of Northampton, Resolutions relative to the national administration. The resolutions having been read, Mr. Crouch moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

National
administration.

Petitions.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally presented and referred: —

By Mr. Davis of Amesbury, petition of Francis W. Gibbs and others; and by Mr. Spooner of Chelsea, peti-

City of Boston,
— height of
buildings on
Beacon Hill.

tion of Seth J. Littlefield and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

By Mr. Brown of Weston, petition of the Trinitarian Church of Concord; by Mr. Burrington of Franklin, petition of E. W. Pond for the Congregational Church of Sheffield; by Mr. Corey of Sturbridge, petition of C. W. Loomis, Alice J. White and others; by Mr. Crosby of Arlington, petition of officers of the Arlington W. C. T. U.; by Mr. Dean of Wakefield, petition of the Y. P. S. C. E. of the Memorial Church of South Sudbury; by Mr. Fisher of Amherst, petition of the First Baptist Church of Amherst; by Mr. Harvell of Rockland, petition of the Sunday School and Y. P. S. C. E. of the First Congregational Church of Hanson; by Mr. Hunt of Worcester, petition of the Old South and other churches of Worcester, the Worcester Reform Club and others; by Mr. Gilpatric of Boston, petition of the Immanuel Baptist Church of Dorchester; by Mr. Grimes of Reading, petition of the Congregational Church of Reading; by Mr. Kyle of Plymouth, petition of officers of the Kingston W. C. T. U.; by Mr. Marchesseault of Spencer, petition of the W. C. T. U. of Leicester; by Mr. Jeremiah F. McCarthy of Boston, petition of William H. Neale, Grace A. Park and others; by Mr. Newton of Everett, petition of the First Baptist Church in Everett; by Mr. Newton of Royalston, petition of John H. Mansfield, J. N. Shipman and others; by Mr. Nickerson of Harwich, petition of D. W. Richardson, Ellen T. Perry and others; by Mr. Severance of Shelburne, petition of Lyman Whiting, Angie D. Field and others; by Mr. Stone of Sharon, petition of the pastor and clerk of the Congregational Church of Sharon; by Mr. Sullivan of Natick, petition of the Fisk Memorial M. E. Church of Natick; by Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, petition of the Y. P. S. C. E. of the First Baptist Church of Pittsfield; by Mr. Wallace of Clinton, petition of Sterling Grange No. 53, P. of H.; and by Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, petition of Abbie R. Bates and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Public schools,
— studies;
physiology and
hygiene.

By Mr. McIsaac of Boston, remonstrance of Elisha S. Boland and others against the passage of the Bill relative

to studies in the public schools, and petition of the same in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petitions of John J. Ganey and other members of the Essex bar and the Worcester Society of Antiquity, — severally, in aid of the Bill to provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Goulding of Duxbury, petitions of Henry T. Bailey and others and Gilbert M. Ryder and others; by Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, petition of Berkshire Post 197, G. A. R.; and by Mr. Wallace of Clinton, petition of Sewall H. Merrill and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide for a record of the Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the war of the rebellion.

Soldiers and sailors, — certain records.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Adams of Barre, petition of F. E. Austin and others; by Mr. Corey of Sturbridge, petition of Theodore A. Fischer and others; by Mr. Marden of Stoneham, petition of John W. Ward and others; and by Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, petition of John Q. Bevington and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies.

Transportation companies, — weekly rest-day for employees.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 663) of Horace K. Osborn for legislation to prohibit the importation of the milk of cows which have not been properly inspected;

Milk, — importation.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 48) of Orville D. Lovell for legislation extending the open season for shooting shelldrakes;

Shelldrakes, — open season.

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House,

Larceny, — penalty.

No. 718) of Marcus C. Pettingell, chairman of the committee of the Expressmen's League, for legislation to define the penalty for larceny in certain cases ;

County of
Suffolk, —
salaries of
Superior Court
stenographers.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 66) of Charles C. Beale and others for an increase of the salaries of certain stenographers in the Superior Court for the county of Suffolk ; and

State Board of
Health, —
report on water
supply.

Of the committee on Water Supply, no legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of the State Board of Health on water supply and sewerage (Senate, No. 4) as relates to water supply ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Ice.

Relative to the sale of ice (Senate, No. 60) (reported on a petition) ; and

City of Haver-
hill, — grade
crossings.

Relative to grade crossings in the city of Haverhill (Senate, No. 236) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, House, No. 611) [Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, of the House, dissenting, and Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, of the House, dissenting, in part] ; and

Benjamin H.
Jellison.

A Resolve relative to Benjamin H. Jellison (Senate, No. 235) (introduced on leave in the Senate) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

County of
Worcester, —
salary of assist-
ant register of
probate and
insolvency.

A Bill to establish the salary of the assistant register of probate and insolvency of the county of Worcester (Senate, No. 210) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 89), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally referred, in concurrence : —

City of Boston,
— height of
buildings on
Beacon Hill.

Petition of Henry A. Gordon and others for such legislation as will restrict the height of buildings on Beacon Hill and protect the neighborhood of the State House and its adjacent grounds. To the committee on Cities.

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

Petitions of Edgar Jones and others, J. A. Rice and others, Angie M. Yeaton and others, J. E. Darling and others, Richard Rowe and others, Charles R. Powers and others, Charles B. J. Root and others, E. B. Dunham and others, Edward G. Eldridge and others, S. S. Besse

and others, S. Irving Pickens and others, James B. King and others, Walter S. Gay and others, Frank A. Thompson and others, Henry Barlow and others, Calvin C. Robinson and others, G. E. Whitehouse and others, William L. Aldrich and others, Thomas N. Honey and others, Franklin C. Jones and others, J. P. Bixby and others and Oliver M. Fisher and others, — severally, for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Remonstrances of Charles L. Morgan and others, A. B. Bassett and others, M. Howes and others and Casson M. Brooks and others, — severally, against the passage of the Bill relative to studies in the public schools (House, No. 817), and petitions of the same for the passage of Senate Bill No. 41, accompanying the petition of Charles L. Morgan and Mary H. Hunt for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Public schools,
— studies;
physiology
and hygiene.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Petition of C. Peter Clark and others in aid of the petition for legislation to provide for a record of the Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the war of the rebellion. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
certain records.

Petitions of the Clarendon Congregational Church of Hyde Park and A. G. Upham and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies.

Transportation
companies, —
weekly rest-day
for employees.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Chadwick of Newton, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 527) of the mayor of the city of Newton for legislation relative to the location, laying out and construction of streets in the city of Newton.

City of Newton,
— streets.

By Mr. Nickerson of Harwich, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 698) of Francis P. Arnold and others for legislation to incorporate the Cape Cod Canal Company.

Cape Cod
Canal Company.

By Mr. Willard of Chelsea, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, at the request of

Labor, —
awarding of
contracts for
public work.

a nautical training ship (House, No. 626) ought not to be adopted. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the resolutions.

By Mr. Donovan of Taunton, from the committee on Cities, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 600), a Bill relative to the salaries of, and the use of carriages by, members of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston. (House, No. 980.)

City of Boston,
— board of
aldermen.

By Mr. Battles of Brockton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the regulation of electric wires (House, No. 635) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 981.)

Electric wires.

By Mr. Fitts of Somerville, from the committee on Prisons, on the twelfth annual report of the General Superintendent of Prisons (Pub. Doc. No. 41), in part, a Bill relative to the removal of prisoners to the State Farm. (House, No. 982.)

State Farm, —
removal of
prisoners.

By Mr. Litchfield of Middleborough, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Nantucket to elect a chief of its fire department. (House, No. 507.)

Town of Nan-
tucket, — chief
of fire depart-
ment.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Hagberg of Worcester, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 842), a Resolve in favor of Norman Y. Brintnall. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Norman Y.
Brintnall.

Reconsideration.

On motion of Mr. Stewart of Boston, the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected, as recommended by the committee on Probate and Insolvency, the Bill relative to blasting within the metropolitan district (House, No. 262), was reconsidered, and pending the recurring question on the rejection of the bill, it was referred to the next General Court, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Metropolitan
district, —
blasting.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill relative to the counting of ballots at caucuses (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

Reception to Major-General Nelson A. Miles.

Major-General
Nelson A.
Miles.

At three minutes past three o'clock, the Sergeant-at-Arms announced Major-General Nelson A. Miles, commanding the army of the United States, who was admitted to a seat upon the Speaker's platform. Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, the House took a recess, subject to the call of the Chair. The Speaker greeted the distinguished visitor and presented him to the House. General Miles then addressed the House, after which the members were individually presented to him by the Speaker.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on Drainage, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 770) of Charles E. Grinnell for legislation to authorize the town of Middleborough to construct a system of sewerage and to provide for the payment of the cost thereof;

Of the committee on Labor, no legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of the Chief of the Massachusetts District Police (Pub. Doc. No. 32) as relates to the employment of labor;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 704) of William Kells, Jr., for legislation relative to the granting of sixth-class licenses to druggists;

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 573) of Thomas I. Hogan for legislation to prevent the defrauding of wage earners by unscrupulous employers;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 432) of John C. Kennedy and others for legislation relative to the penalty for keeping unlicensed dogs;

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 176) of William S. Briggs and others that the town of Lincoln may be included in the judicial district of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 178) of Arthur A. Maxwell for a modification of the law

relative to the disposition of cases in which arrests are made without warrant ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 765) of Joseph D. Connor for legislation relative to the sale of milk from sick or diseased cows ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 182) of Richard L. Gay for legislation to authorize the nomination of senators in Suffolk senatorial districts by direct vote in caucuses ; and

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioner, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 471) of John W. Ayers for legislation relative to the construction of a tunnel from Boston proper to East Boston ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the rights of owners of real estate in the matter of granting liquor licenses (House, No. 338) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Liquor Law, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to establish a nautical training school (House, No. 639) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Military Affairs, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

Relative to commitments to the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates (House, No. 763) ;

Relative to the appointment of park commissioners (House, No. 968) ;

To prevent the improper use of the flag of the United States or of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (House, No. 977) ;

Relative to domestic and foreign mutual assessment life insurance corporations (Senate, No. 222) ; and

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Worcester to borrow money for completing, equipping and furnishing the court house at Worcester (Senate, No. 228) ; and

Relative to the counting of ballots at elections (Senate, No. 226) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the placing of officers upon the retired list (House, No. 642) was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was recommitted to the committee on Military Affairs, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

The Resolve in favor of the Carney Hospital (House, No. 950), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 137 to 19.

The Bill to revise the charter of the city of Somerville (Senate, No. 209) was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The pending amendment, recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was adopted.

During the debate Mr. Mellen of Worcester referred to certain remarks of previous speakers as "buncombe, nonsense and rot." The Speaker called the member to order and stated that it was not proper for the member to refer to any remarks made on the floor of the House as "rot;" that he objected to the language as being unparliamentary, and asked the member to withdraw the objectionable word.

Mr. Mellen stated that he would "do nothing of the kind."

The Speaker thereupon named the member and referred the matter to the House for its action. Member named to the House.

Mr. Myers of Cambridge moved that the matter be referred to a special committee of five members, which motion was adopted. The Speaker appointed Messrs. Myers of Cambridge, Hayes of Lowell, Stone of Springfield, Lomasney of Boston and Carleton of Haverhill as the committee.

On motion of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, at twenty-four minutes past four o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 22, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report of a Special Committee.

The following report was received : —

Report of the
special com-
mittee on the
naming of a
member.

The special committee appointed to consider the matter of the naming of Representative James H. Mellen and the reference of the matter to the House by the Speaker, report recommending that the House sustain the action of the Speaker in naming Mr. Mellen for his use of objectionable and unparliamentary language and conduct in debate ; and also recommending that Mr. Mellen be given immediate opportunity to retract the objectionable language and to make satisfactory apology to the House ; and that upon his doing so he be restored to the privileges of the House.

J. J. MYERS.

W. H. I. HAYES.

WILLMORE B. STONE.

MARTIN M. LOMASNEY.

GEO. H. CARLETON.

The report was read and accepted. Mr. Mellen thereupon addressed the Chair as follows : —

Mr. SPEAKER : The representative from Cambridge when in this division yesterday suggested the propriety of my making a retraction rather than precipitate an unpleasantness. I arose with the intention of so doing. I unfortunately, when asked by the Speaker for what purpose I arose, said " to give expression to an opinion," instead of saying, as I ought perhaps, " to make a statement ;" and the Speaker, rightly, perhaps, ruled I could not so do. At that time I had to sit down. I told my friend from Cambridge that if I had been permitted at that time I would have made a retraction. Mr. Speaker, I regret exceedingly that the incident has been prolonged up to this stage. The words I used in discussion had been used before. I have used the particular word in the past, and while a former Speaker objected, he did not insist and make an issue. The matter was discussed editorially and by correspondents in some of the Boston papers at the time, and the opinion was insisted upon that it was a permissible word to use in debate. When that incident

closed, I imagined then and have held ever since, that it was a permissible word in debate. Yesterday the debate was somewhat of a political nature. I was endeavoring to amend a city charter in the interests of the party to which I belong, and there was arrayed in opposition, five, I think, members from the city of Somerville, who are of the opposition party. The debate was, perhaps, somewhat pointed. In the contention I made use of the words, when it was stated by the gentlemen that they firmly believed in non-partisan boards of assessors, and were used because I thought, as I intimated the conditions warranted, that the gentlemen were politicians. They were here as politicians. They used every endeavor to secure people of their own party as assessors, and I thought when they talked non-partisanship the words that I employed fitted the case.

I imagined I was right, and when the Speaker called me to order I reiterated I was right. I was of the opinion that the word was used in parliament frequently, that it is used in our national House of Representatives, and that it was not without the bounds of parliamentary practice. I find upon investigation and after consultation and after the deliberation of the night that my position is not a wise one. I find an unpleasant incident has occurred, which I now very much regret, as I had no intention, as perhaps the Speaker realized, of entering into a controversy or abusing any one in a way that was unparliamentary. I bow to the opinion of those who say that the word is unparliamentary and I apologize for its use and withdraw it.

Mr. Myers of Cambridge moved that that House accept the retraction and apology of the gentleman from Worcester as satisfactory, which motion was adopted.

Annual Report.

The fourteenth annual report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 35), received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was referred to the committee on Manufactures and sent up for concurrence.

Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Commis-
sioners.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Libby of Medford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency be granted until Wednesday, March 29, to report upon matters referred to it previously to the second Wednesday in March.

Committee on
Probate and
Insolvency, —
reports.

Committee on
Public Service,
— reports.

On motion of Mr. Wells of Peabody, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service be granted until Wednesday, March 29, to report upon matters referred to it previously to the second Wednesday in March.

Committee on
Railroads, —
reports.

On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads be granted until Friday, March 31, to report upon matters referred to it previously to the second Wednesday in March.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

Insurance com-
panies, —
accident insur-
ance.

By Mr. Luce of Somerville, a Bill relative to the capital of companies formed for the transaction of accident insurance. The bill having been read, Mr. Swift of Tisbury moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

City of Boston,
— height of
buildings on
Beacon Hill.

By Mr. Crosby of Barnstable, petition of Elizabeth E. Fay and others ; by Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition of Effie Stanley Nowers and others ; and by Mr. Puffer of Springfield, petition of Clarence E. Blake, Mary B. Judd and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, petition of the Methodist Episcopal Church and Sunday School of Cochrutuate ; by Mr. Brown of Weston, petition of E. E. Abercombie and others ; by Mr. Burrington of Franklin, petition of the W. C. T. U. of Sheffield ; by Mr. Carey of Haverhill, petitions of the Y. P. S. C. E. of the Second Congregational Church of Peabody and the Y. P. C. U. of the First Universalist Church of Haverhill ; by Mr. Crosby of Barnstable, petition of Samuel P. King, Isabel Hoxie and others ; by Mr. Dudley of Sutton, petition of Willard Packard, N. Evie Cranska and others ; by Mr. Ellsworth of Worcester, petition of the First Baptist Church of Worcester ; by Mr. Fisher of Amherst, petition of the Congregational Church of Granby ; by Mr. Grimes of Reading, petition of the First Church of Christ in Woburn ; by Mr. Kavenaugh of Montague, petition of the First Baptist Church of Tur-

ner's Falls ; by Mr. Keith of Cambridge, petitions of the Cambridge Temple Methodist Protestant Church, the Y. P. S. C. E. of the Cambridge Temple Methodist Protestant Church and David Houston, Elizabeth H. Swett and others ; by Mr. Marchesseault of Spencer, petition of Almond Watson, Addie J. Fenner and others ; by Mr. Newton of Royalston, petition of Sidney H. Collier, Elizabeth A. Bennett and others ; by Mr. Sullivan of Natick, petition of Nelly F. Wilson, A. J. Goodnow and others ; and by Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, petition of the Y. P. C. U. of the First Universalist Church of Hingham, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Goulding of Duxbury, petitions of Henry H. Faxon and others and William W. Reddie and others, — Town of Hull,
— board of
police. severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide for the establishment of a board of police for the town of Hull.

Severally to the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Keith of Cambridge, petition of Peter F. Rourke and others ; by Mr. Harlow of Whitman, petition of Elmer P. Copeland and others ; and by Mr. Ray of Ashland, petition of G. C. Fiske and others, — Soldiers and
sailors, —
certain records. severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide for a record of the Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the war of the rebellion.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Banks and Banking shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, March 29. Committee on
Banks and
Banking, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Cities shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Monday, April 3. Committee on
Cities, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Counties shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, March 29. Committee on
Counties, —
reports.

Committee on
Election Laws,
— reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Election Laws shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, March 29.

Committee on
Federal Rela-
tions, — reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Federal Relations shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, March 29.

Committee on
Fisheries and
Game, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Fisheries and Game shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, March 29.

Committee on
Harbors and
Public Lands, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Harbors and Public Lands shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until March 29.

Joint committee
on the Judi-
ciary, — reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the joint committee on the Judiciary shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 5.

Committee on
Labor, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Labor shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, March 29.

Committee on
Mercantile
Affairs, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Mercantile Affairs shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, March 29.

Committee on
Metropolitan
Affairs, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Metropolitan Affairs shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, March 29.

Committees on
Metropolitan
Affairs and
Drainage, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Drainage, sitting jointly, shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, March 29.

Committees on
Metropolitan
Affairs and
Election Laws,
— reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Election Laws, sitting jointly, shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, March 29.

Ordered, That the time within which the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Roads and Bridges, sitting jointly, shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, March 29.

Committees on
Metropolitan
Affairs and
Roads and
Bridges, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly, shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, March 29.

Committees on
Metropolitan
Affairs and
Water Supply,
— reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Printing shall report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 5.

Committee on
Printing, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Public Charitable Institutions shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until March 29.

Committee on
Public Charita-
ble Institutions,
— reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Roads and Bridges shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, March 29.

Committee on
Roads and
Bridges, —
reports.

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways be authorized to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth in the discharge of their duties.

Committee on
Street Railways,
— travel.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Water Supply shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, March 29.

Committee on
Water Supply,
— reports.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 76) of John Bordman, Jr., for legislation abolishing the board of apportionment of the city of Boston, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs; and

City of Boston,
— board of
apportionment.

Of the same committee, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 670) of Frank W. Estey for legislation relative to the construction of streets in the city of Boston, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs;

City of Boston,
— streets.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court :

City of Boston,
— peddling.

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 25) of John F. Wood relating to the selling of articles in the streets and from house to house in the city of Boston ; and

Peddling.

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 352) of John F. Wood and others for legislation relative to the sale of articles in the streets and public ways and from house to house in this Commonwealth ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary :

Worcester
Lunatic Hospi-
tal.

On the sixty-sixth annual report of the trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital (Pub. Doc. No. 23) ; and

Perkins Institu-
tion and Massa-
chusetts School
for the Blind.

On the sixty-seventh annual report of the trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind (Pub. Doc. No. 27) ;

Osteopathy.

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 64) of C. E. Achorn and others for legislation authorizing the practice of osteopathy ; and

Width of tires.

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 165) of J. C. Bennett and others for legislation relative to the width of tires [Mr. Miller of Pepperell, of the House, dissenting] ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Corporations, —
use of streets.

Relative to the use of streets by corporations (Senate, No. 200) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, House, No. 307) ;

Vacation
schools.

To authorize the establishment of vacation schools (Senate, No. 241) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 109) ; and

City of Brock-
ton, — street
improvements.

To authorize the city of Brockton to borrow money for permanent street improvements (printed as House, No. 824) (reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Nantasket
Beach, — public
reservation.

Petitions of Benjamin Fay Mills and others, Joseph F. Wiggin and T. C. Evans and others, Edward I. Browne and Elbridge R. Anderson and others, Alexis Torrey and Charles F. Choate and others, Chipman Brothers and John Pickering and Moseley and others, Warren F. Spalding

and J. G. Thorp and others, Henry A. Turner and Theodore Everett and others, Edwin P. Seaver and George B. Lapham and others and Howard F. Packard and Alfred H. Nash and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 601) of Jerome F. Manning and others for legislation to abolish the board of assessors in the city of Lowell and to create a new board of assessors in place thereof. City of Lowell,
— board of
assessors.

By Mr. Leland of Templeton, from the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 684) of Charles Crittenden and others for legislation to encourage the employment of a skilled superintendent of schools in all the towns and cities of the Commonwealth sharing the income of the State school fund. Public schools,
— skilled super-
intendents.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 314) of William T. A. Fitzgerald for legislation to fix the liability for personal injuries caused by falls on snowy or icy sidewalks. Sidewalks, —
liability for
personal
injuries on.

By Mr. Selfridge of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 773) of Sidney Sanders and another for legislation to make parents liable for the torts of their minor children. Parents, —
liability for
torts of minor
children.

By Mr. Currier of Methuen, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 391) of John C. Sanborn and others for legislation to change the name of the police court of Lawrence and to enlarge its jurisdiction. Police court of
Lawrence, —
name and
jurisdiction.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 825) of Freeman H. Lothrop and others for legislation relative to the sessions of the First District Court of Barnstable. First District
Court of
Barnstable.

By Mr. Feiker of Northampton, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 662) of James H. Races and fairs,
— speeding
horses and
betting.

Kelly for legislation relative to speeding horses and betting at races and fairs.

Corporations and associations, — certificates and returns.

By Mr. King of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 606) of Henry W. Ely for legislation relative to certificates and returns of corporations and associations.

Jails and houses of correction, — State control.

By Mr. Libby of Medford, from the committee on Prisons, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 324) of William Lawrence and others for legislation to provide for the control of jails and houses of correction by the Commonwealth. [Mr. Fitts of Somerville, of the House, dissenting and presenting his views, House, No. 985.]

West Roxbury and Roslindale Street Railway Company.

By Mr. Lockhart of Fall River, from the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 23) of Thomas T. Robinson for legislation to authorize the West Roxbury and Roslindale Street Railway Company to act as a common carrier of merchandise.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Labor, — eight-hour day.

By Mr. Ross of New Bedford, from the committee on Labor, that the Bill (introduced on leave) making eight hours, or less, a day's work for State, county, city and town employees (House, No. 201) ought not to pass.

Securities, — licensing of dealers.

By Mr. Johnson of Worcester, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to licensing dealers in securities (House, No. 636) ought not to pass.

Corporations, — bonds of employees.

By Mr. Tatman of Worcester, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to prohibit corporations from requiring bonds of their employees in certain cases (House, No. 455) ought not to pass.

Street railway companies, — mail and express matter.

By Mr. Davis of Cambridge, from the committee on Street Railways, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize street railway companies to carry mail and express matter (House, No. 443) ought not to pass.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

Foreign corporations, — licensing.

By Mr. Crosby of Arlington, from the committee on Taxation, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to licensing foreign corporations (House, No. 760) be re-

ferred to the next General Court. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the reference of the bill to the next General Court.

Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, from the committee on Counties, on the estimates of county receipts and expenditures (House, No. 310), in part, a Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Hampshire. (House, No. 987.)

County of
Hampshire, —
county tax.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the estimates of county receipts and expenditures (House, No. 310), in part, a Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Worcester. (House, No. 988.)

County of
Worcester, —
county tax.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the estimates of county receipts and expenditures (House, No. 310), in part, a Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Dukes County. (House, No. 992.)

County of
Dukes County,
— county tax.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the estimates of county receipts and expenditures (House, No. 310), in part, a Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Franklin. (House, No. 991.)

County of
Franklin, —
county tax.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the estimates of county receipts and expenditures (House, No. 310), in part, a Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Barnstable. (House, No. 993.)

County of
Barnstable, —
county tax.

By Mr. Powers of Malden, from the committee on Drainage, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 898), a Bill relative to the building of a drain by the city of Somerville. (House, No. 989.)

City of
Somerville, —
drain.

By Mr. Judd of Holyoke, from the committee on Education, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 683), a Bill to authorize the city of Fall River to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for a textile school. (House, No. 983.)

City of Fall
River, — textile
school.

By Mr. Davenport of Greenfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to establish the session of the Superior Court for the county of Barnstable. (House, No. 821.)

County of
Barnstable, —
session of
Superior Court.

By Mr. Driscoll of Chicopee, from the committee on Labor, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to constitute eight hours a day's work for city and town employees (House, No. 68) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 984.) [Mr. McClellan, of the Senate, dissenting.]

Labor, — eight-
hour day.

By Mr. Smith of Waltham, from the committee on Manufactures, on a petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 154) and on a bill introduced on leave (House, No.

Electric meters,
— use and
inspection.

567), a Bill to regulate the use and provide for the inspection of electric meters. (House, No. 998.) [Mr. Montgomery of Cambridge, of the House, dissenting.]

County of
Suffolk, —
house of
correction.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the committee on Prisons, on a petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 129), a Bill relative to the house of correction in Suffolk County. (House, No. 997.) [Messrs. Sargent, Soule and Patch, of the Senate, dissenting.]

Police court of
Haverhill, —
name and
jurisdiction.

By Mr. Libby of Medford, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to change the name of the police court of Haverhill and to include the towns of Georgetown, West Newbury and Boxford within its judicial district (House, No. 757) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title, "Bill to change the name of the police court of Haverhill and to include the towns of Georgetown and Boxford within its judicial district." (House, No. 990.)

City of Boston,
— playgrounds.

By Mr. Douglass of Boston, from the same committee, on petitions (with accompanying bills, House, No. 396 and Senate, No. 125), a Bill relative to the system of playgrounds for the city of Boston. (House, No. 996.)

Norfolk Central
Street Railway
Company.

By Mr. Lockhart of Fall River, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 24), a Bill to authorize the Norfolk Central Street Railway Company to act as a common carrier of small parcels of merchandise and baggage. (House, No. 994.)

Norfolk
Western Street
Railway Com-
pany.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 731), a Bill to authorize the Norfolk Western Street Railway Company to act as a common carrier of small parcels of merchandise, baggage and the United States mail. (House, No. 995.)

Street railway
companies, —
locations.

By Mr. Persons of Maynard, from the same committee, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 496), a Bill relative to granting locations to street railway companies. (House, No. 986.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Shade trees.

By Mr. Chandler of Somerville, from the committee on Agriculture, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the protection of shade trees (House, No. 826) ought to pass.

Labor, —
uniform wages
and hours on
public works.

By Mr. Ross of New Bedford, from the committee on Labor, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for a uniform rate of wages and hours of labor for mechanics

and laborers on public works (House, No. 93) ought to pass. [Mr. McClellan, of the Senate, and Messrs. Burgess of Fitchburg and Williams of Foxborough, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Shaw of Raynham, from the committee on Agriculture, on petitions (with accompanying bills, House, Nos. 104 and 263) and on a bill introduced on leave (House, No. 451), a Bill to provide for the inspection of nurseries and orchards, to prevent the introduction therein of injurious insects and to provide for an investigation of the habits of insects injurious to the cranberry.

Nurseries and orchards, — inspection; cranberries, — injurious insects.

By Mr. Judd of Holyoke, from the committee on Education, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 308), a Bill relative to the establishment of textile schools.

Textile schools.

By Mr. Huntress of Somerville, from the committee on Manufactures, on the annual report of the Inspector of Gas Meters and Illuminating Gas (Pub. Doc. No. 55), a Bill relative to the inspection of gas and gas meters.

Gas and gas meters, — inspection.

By Mr. Wood of Woburn, from the committee on Prisons, on the twelfth annual report of the General Superintendent of Prisons (Pub. Doc. No. 41), in part, a Resolve relative to reclaiming and improving waste and unused land with the labor of prisoners from jails and houses of correction.

Prisoners, — labor on waste and unused land.

By Mr. Parker of Boston, from the same committee, on the fourteenth annual report of the Massachusetts Reformatory (Pub. Doc. No. 13), in part, a Resolve to provide for a new hospital, laundry and bath house building at the Massachusetts Reformatory. [Mr. Sargent, of the Senate, and Mr. Libby of Medford, of the House, dissenting.]

Massachusetts Reformatory, — new building.

By Mr. Skillings of Boston, from the committee on State House, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) to authorize the purchase of portraits of former governors of the Commonwealth and of a picture painted by Robert Salmon (Senate, No. 144) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title, "Resolve to authorize the purchase of portraits of governors of the Commonwealth."

Governors, — purchase of portraits.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Resolve (introduced on leave)

Little, Brown and Company.

to provide for the renewal of an existing contract with the firm of Little, Brown and Company (House, No. 746) ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Taken from the Table.

Supreme
Judicial Court,
— review of
decisions.

On motions of Mr. Stone of Springfield, the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 192) of James W. Stillman for legislation to prohibit the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court from sitting in review of decisions previously rendered by themselves, was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until tomorrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to marriages of minors ;

To amend the charter of the city of Chelsea ;

To provide for the better protection of county buildings and for the appointment of county police by county commissioners ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the city of Somerville to lay out and maintain a parkway ; and

Relative to the conveyance of insane women to insane hospitals and asylums ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

Lynn and Bos-
ton Railroad
Company, —
free transfers.

On motions of Mr. Mead of Everett, the report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 797) of William J. Brickley and others for legislation to require the Lynn and Boston Railroad Company to issue certain free transfers, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

Foreign cor-
porations, —
complete
returns.

On motions of Mr. Newton of Everett, the Bill to require complete returns from foreign companies doing business in this Commonwealth (House, No. 293) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule,

and laid on the table, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Taxation.

On motions of Mr. Luce of Somerville, the reports :

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 18) of the Massachusetts Anti-Double Taxation League and others for legislation to exempt from taxation in the Commonwealth personal property situated and taxed without the Commonwealth and shares of certain corporations organized under the laws of other States ; and

Taxation, —
personal prop-
erty and shares
of certain cor-
porations.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 499) of Robert Luce for legislation relative to the taxation of foreign corporations having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth ;

Taxation, —
foreign cor-
porations.

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and laid on the table.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 527) of the mayor of the city of Newton for legislation relative to the location, laying out and construction of streets in the city of Newton ;

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 698) of Francis P. Arnold and others for legislation to incorporate the Cape Cod Canal Company ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioner, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 779) of Doras M. Pierce for legislation relative to the awarding of contracts for work or materials by the officials of counties, cities and towns ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 845) of Henry M. Van Deusen for legislation to authorize the Woronoco Street Railway Company to manufacture for sale and to sell and furnish to the inhabitants of the town of Westfield electricity for power ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 663)

of Horace K. Osborn for legislation to prohibit the importation of the milk of cows which have not been properly inspected ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 685) of Jeremiah F. McCarthy for legislation relative to the nomination of State senators by the direct vote of the people in caucuses ;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 48) of Orville D. Lovell for legislation extending the open season for shooting shelldrakes ;

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 718) of Marcus C. Pettingell, chairman of the committee of the Expressmen's League, for legislation to define the penalty for larceny in certain cases ;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 66) of Charles C. Beale and others for an increase of the salaries of certain stenographers in the Superior Court for the county of Suffolk ; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, no legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of the State Board of Health on water supply and sewerage (Senate, No. 4) as relates to water supply ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill for the further protection of trade marks (House, No. 440) was rejected, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Resolutions relative to a nautical training ship (House, No. 626) were rejected, as recommended by the committee on Military Affairs, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the admission of certain evidence in divorce and separate-maintenance proceedings (House, No. 218) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Probate and Insolvency, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to sleeping cars (House, No. 648) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Railroads, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Nantucket to elect a chief of its fire department (House, No. 507) ;

Relative to the salaries of, and the use of carriages by, members of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston (House, No. 980) ;

Relative to the regulation of electric wires (House, No. 981) ;

Relative to the removal of prisoners to the State Farm (House, No. 982) ; and

Relative to fees for serving precepts for elections and subpoenas (Senate, No. 231) ; and

The Resolve relative to Benjamin H. Jellison (Senate, No. 235) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To extend the time within which the Pyncheon Safe Deposit and Trust Company may organize and begin business (House, No. 890) ;

Making an appropriation for current expenses at the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates (House, No. 943) ; and

To extend the application of the law relative to the weekly payment of wages (House, No. 961) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary (House, No. 361) ;

In favor of the Carney Hospital (House, No. 950) ; and

To provide for a new building at the Lyman School for Boys (House, No. 958) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to loan upon the bonds of the Boston Terminal Company (Senate, No. 220) ; and

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Worcester to borrow money for completing, equipping and furnishing the court house at Worcester (Senate, No. 228) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to revise the charter of the city of Somerville (Senate, No. 209), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, was rejected, and the bill, as previously amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 794) of the Staples Coal Company and others for legislation to regulate the width of tires on draught wagons, was taken up.

Mr. Salter of Lynn moved that it be postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, which motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Reed of Taunton, the report was postponed for consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill relative to Malden Bridge, so called, in the city of Boston (House, No. 936) was considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Wood of Woburn, was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 104 to 26.

The Bill relative to total losses upon fire insurance policies (House, No. 389) was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston.

The report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 689) of Joseph H. Atkins and others for legislation relative to the prevention of the maintenance or operation of menhaden purse seines in the waters of the Commonwealth, was taken up, and pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the House,

On motion of Mr. Donahue of Fall River, at twenty-nine minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 23, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Kyle of Plymouth, a Bill to authorize the Old Colony Commission to expend a further sum of money. The bill having been read, Mr. Kyle moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Old Colony
Commission.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Wells of Peabody, petition of Lyman P. Osborn, Harriet S. Thacher and others in aid of the petition for legislation to limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston. To the committee on Cities.

City of Boston,
— height of
buildings on
Beacon Hill.

By Mr. Crosby of Attleborough, petition of the First Baptist Church of North Attleborough; by Mr. Crosby of Barnstable, petition of the Union Church of Cotuit; by Mr. Estes of Brockton, petition of a citizens' meeting and the Porter Evangelical Church of Brockton; by Mr. Henderson of Rowley, petition of the Linebrook Congregational Church of Ipswich; by Mr. Leland of Templeton, petition of Albert L. Dodge, Mary A. Baldwin and others; by Mr. Moore of West Stockbridge, petition of the Methodist Episcopal churches of the Lenox charge; by Mr. Prindle of Williamstown, petition of the Church of Christ in the White Oaks and other organizations; by Mr. Rounseville of Rochester, petition of the Baptist Church of Carver; by Mr. Shaw of Raynham, petition of the Evangelical Congregational Church of Easton; by Mr. Skinner of Watertown, petitions of Edward Augustus Rand, Elizabeth A. Conant and others and the pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Watertown; by Mr. Smith of New Marlborough, petition of the Congregational Church of Housatonic; and by Mr. Stewart of Boston,

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

petitions of Charles R. Pouris, Pamela W. Weaver and others, the Pilgrim Congregational Church of Dorchester and the secretary of the Dorchester W. C. T. U. and the pastor and clerk of the Central Congregational Church of Dorchester, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Nantasket
Beach, — public
reservation.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, petitions of George E. Saunders and others and Moorfield Storey and others; by Mr. Selfridge of Boston, petitions of John H. Child and others and Solomon Lincoln and others; and by Mr. Wells of Peabody, petition of George P. Beckford and others and B. C. Moulton and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Transportation
companies, —
weekly rest-day
for employees.

By Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, petition of A. P. Hannum and others in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies. To the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

Committee on
Agriculture, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Agriculture shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, March 29.

Committee on
Drainage, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Drainage shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, March 29.

Committee on
Education, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Education shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, March 29.

Committee on
Insurance, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Insurance shall make final report on matters referred to

them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 5.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on the Liquor Law shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, March 29.

Committee on the Liquor Law, — reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Public Service shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, March 29.

Committee on Public Service, — reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Railroads shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 5.

Committee on Railroads, — reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on State House shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 5.

Committee on State House, — reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Street Railways shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, March 29.

Committee on Street Railways, — reports.

Reports :

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 131) of Henry D. Yeaton for legislation providing that the office of the Insurance Commissioner shall be a public record office ; and

Insurance Commissioner, — public record office.

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 177) of Thomas C. Day for legislation relative to the sale of real estate by public administrators ;

Real estate, — sale by public administrators.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 21) of George A. Wheeler and others that the salary of the district attorney of the South-eastern District may be increased, recommitted by the House, with instructions to report in the Senate, came down with the endorsement

South-eastern District, — salary of district attorney.

that the Senate concurred in the recommitment, but non-concurred in the instructions to the committee.

On motion of Mr. Stanley of Newburyport, the House receded from the instructions.

Bills :

City of Boston,
— normal
school.

To provide for a normal school-house in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 108) (reported on a petition) ;

Brockton,
Bridgewater
and Taunton
Street Railway
Company.

To authorize the Brockton, Bridgewater and Taunton Street Railway Company to carry fuel and supplies for its own use (Senate, No. 232) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 181) ; and

Providence and
Taunton Street
Railway Com-
pany.

To authorize the Providence and Taunton Street Railway Company to carry fuel and supplies for its own use (Senate, No. 233) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 182) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reformatory
Prison for
Women, —
repairs.

A Resolve to provide for certain repairs at the Reformatory Prison for Women (Senate, No. 242) (reported on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women, Pub. Doc. No. 13), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Legacies.

The House Bill relative to legacies (House, No. 442) came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendments.

On motion of Mr. Chapple of Salem, the House insisted on its non-concurrence and asked for a committee of conference. The Speaker appointed Messrs. Chapple of Salem, Haywood of Lynn and Libby of Medford as the committee on the part of the House, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Constitutional
amendment, —
election of
judicial officers.

By Mr. McLoughlin of Worcester, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 276) of James W. Stillman and others for an amendment to the Constitution providing for the election for a term of years of all judicial officers now appointed by the Governor and Council.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 459) of Richard W. Irwin and others for legislation relative to the limitation of action on judgments and decrees of courts of record.

Courts of record, — judgments and decrees.

By Mr. Estes of Brockton, from the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 775) of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for legislation to authorize the imposing of conditions in licenses granted to innholders and common victuallers.

Innholders and common victuallers, — conditions in licenses.

By Mr. McLoughlin of Worcester, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 403) of the Massachusetts Hotel Association for legislation relative to the defrauding of innkeepers.

Innkeepers, — defrauding of.

By Mr. Smith of Waltham, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 772) of Eleanor Hebb for legislation to reimburse her for the payment into the treasury of the Commonwealth of a portion of the estate of Charles Peters, her brother-in-law.

Eleanor Hebb, — estate of Charles Peters.

By Mr. Keyou of Medford, from the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 102) of Richard Cullinane and Freeman O. Emerson and others for legislation to require street railway companies to enclose the platforms of their cars during certain months of the year. [Messrs. Lockhart of Fall River and Gilpatric of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

Street railway companies, — enclosed platforms on cars.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 493) of William H. Feiker for legislation to require street railway companies to enclose the platforms of their cars during certain months of the year. [Messrs. Lockhart of Fall River and Gilpatric of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

Id.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Miller of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to licensing foreign corporations (House, No. 340) ought not to pass.

Foreign corporations, — licenses.

City of Lynn,—
referendum on
metropolitan
park system.

By Mr. Stewart of Boston, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to secure the referendum for the city of Lynn in relation to the metropolitan park system (House, No. 751) ought not to pass.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

Constitutional
amendment,—
verdicts of
juries in civil
causes.

By Mr. Johnson of Worcester, from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, on a petition, a Resolve to provide for an amendment to the Constitution authorizing verdicts in trials by jury in civil causes upon the agreement of a less number than the whole number of the jurors. (House, No. 769.) [Mr. Attwill, of the Senate, and Messrs. Chapple of Salem and Haywood of Lynn, of the House, dissenting.]

County of
Norfolk,—
county tax.

By Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, from the committee on Counties, on the estimates of county receipts and expenditures (House, No. 310), in part, a Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Norfolk. (House, No. 1003.)

Third District
Court of East-
ern Middlesex,
— salary of
clerk.

By Mr. Davis of Cambridge, from the committee on Counties on the part of the House, that the Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex (House, No. 247) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 999.)

Bastardy bonds,
— approval.

By Mr. Minton of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to authorize clerks of police, municipal and district courts to approve bastardy bonds. (House, No. 699.)

Steam boilers,—
returns.

By Mr. Kyle of Plymouth, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the inspection of steam boilers (House, No. 168) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Bill relative to the making of returns of steam boilers." (House, No. 1000.)

Metropolitan
Park Commis-
sioners,—
street railway
companies.

By Mr. Weston of Hyde Park, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 584), a Bill to authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to grant locations to street railway companies. (House, No. 1001.)

Essex Institute.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the

Essex Institute to hold additional real and personal estate.
(House, No. 938.)

By Mr. Haywood of Lynn, from the same committee, **Seals.**
on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 577),
a Bill to provide for the establishment of city and town
seals. (House, No. 1005.)

By Mr. Ames of Lowell, from the committee on Street **City of Boston,**
Railways, on petitions (with accompanying bills, House, **— street-car**
Nos. 21 and 99), a Bill to authorize the replacing of street- **tracks on**
car tracks on Boylston and Tremont streets in the city of **Boylston and**
Boston. (House, No. 1002.) [Messrs. Lockhart of Fall **Tremont**
River, Munroe of Worcester, Gilpatric of Boston, Keyou **streets.**
of Medford, Persons of Maynard and Wallace of Clinton,
of the House, dissenting.]

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the joint committee **Street railway**
on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) rela- **signals.**
tive to the injury or destruction of street railway signals
(House, No. 873) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of
the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Relative to the temporary release of children under **Bills enacted.**
sentence for truancy;

To provide for the extension of the Bertillon method of
identifying criminals;

To reimburse the town of Amesbury for the mainten-
ance and repair of certain bridges over the Merrimac
River;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Relative to mechanical and manufacturing corporations;
and

Relative to the membership of the Worcester Natural
History Society;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to
the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports:

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next Gen- **Orders of the**
eral Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, **day.**
House, No. 601) of Jerome F. Manning and others for

legislation to abolish the board of assessors in the city of Lowell and to create a new board of assessors in place thereof;

Of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 684) of Charles Crittenden and others for legislation to encourage the employment of a skilled superintendent of schools in all the towns and cities of the Commonwealth sharing the income of the State school fund;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 192) of James W. Stillman for legislation to prohibit the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court from sitting in review of decisions previously rendered by themselves;

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 314) of William T. A. Fitzgerald for legislation to fix the liability for personal injuries caused by falls on snowy or icy sidewalks;

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 773) of Sidney Sanders and another for legislation to make parents liable for the torts of their minor children; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 825) of Freeman H. Lothrop and others for legislation relative to the sessions of the First District Court of Barnstable;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 662) of James H. Kelley for legislation relative to speeding horses and betting at races and fairs;

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 518) of Richard Cullinane for legislation relative to the hours of labor of employees of certain corporations;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 606) of Henry W. Ely for legislation relative to certificates and returns of corporations and associations; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 23) of Thomas T. Robinson for legislation to authorize the West Roxbury and Roslindale Street Railway Company to act as a common carrier of merchandise;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 678) of Edward P. Sands for legislation relative to the care and custody of public baths in the city of Boston ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary :

On the sixty-sixth annual report of the trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital (Pub. Doc. No. 23) ; and

On the sixty-seventh annual report of the trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind (Pub. Doc. No. 27) ; and

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 64) of C. E. Achorn and others for legislation authorizing the practice of osteopathy ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to licensing dealers in securities (House, No. 636) was rejected, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to licensing foreign corporations (House, No. 760) was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Taxation, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

Relative to the protection of shade trees (House, No. 826) ;

Relative to the rights of owners of real estate in the matter of granting of liquor licenses (House, No. 954) ;

To exempt certain loan companies from procuring local licenses (House, No. 975) ;

To authorize the city of Fall River to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for a textile school (House, No. 983) ;

Relative to the building of a drain by the city of Somerville (House, No. 989) ;

To change the name of the police court of Haverhill and to include the towns of Georgetown and Boxford within its judicial district (House, No. 990) ;

To authorize the city of Quincy to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for street improvements (Senate, No. 227) ;

To authorize the establishment of vacation schools (Senate, No. 241) ; and

To authorize the city of Brockton to borrow money for permanent street improvements (printed as House, No. 824) ; and

Resolves :

Granting a county tax for the county of Hampshire (House, No. 987) ;

Granting a county tax for the county of Worcester (House, No. 988) ;

Granting a county tax for the county of Franklin (House, No. 991) ;

Granting a county tax for the county of Dukes County (House, No. 992) ; and

Granting a county tax for the county of Barnstable (House, No. 993) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relative to the tenure of office of the board of water commissioners in the city of Quincy (House, No. 572) ;

For the protection of small game in the town of Essex (House, No. 953) ;

Relative to the appointment of park commissioners (House, No. 968) ;

To prevent the improper use of the flag of the United States or of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (House, No. 977) ; and

Relative to the removal of prisoners to the State Farm (House, No. 982) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to fees for serving precepts for elections and subpœnas (Senate, No. 231) ; and

To authorize the city of Quincy to refund a part of its indebtedness (printed as House, No. 554) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

The Resolve relative to Benjamin H. Jellison (Senate, No. 235) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 689) of Joseph H. Atkins and others for legislation relative to the prevention of the maintenance or operation of menhaden purse seines in the waters of the Commonwealth, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 794) of the Staples Coal Company and others for legislation to regulate the width of tires on draught wagons, was considered.

Mr. Frost of Lawrence moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to regulate the width of tires on draught wagons" (House, No. 794), which, after debate, was substituted, and having been read was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill relative to total losses upon fire insurance policies (House, No. 389) was considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Dean of Brookline, was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 90 to 55, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to compel street railway companies to make special rates for the transportation of working men, working women and children attending school (House, No. 365), was considered, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Street Railways.

Mr. Murphy of Lawrence moved that it be postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, which motion was lost.

After debate the bill was rejected, as recommended by the committee, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the taking of eels and clams from the Merrimac River in the town of Salisbury and the city of Newburyport (House, No. 906) was read a third time, and after debate was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 71 to 41, and sent up for concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read "Bill relative to the taking of eels and clams from the Merrimac River in Salisbury and Newburyport."

The Bill relative to laborers on public works (House, No. 336) was considered, and after debate was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Labor, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth and suppressing the brown-tail moth (House, No. 915) was read a third time.

Mr. Hayes of Lowell moved that it be postponed for consideration until to-morrow, pending which motion,

On motion of Mr. Turner of Malden, at half-past four o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 24, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Orders.

The consideration of the following order, offered by Mr. Marden of Stoneham, was postponed until Monday, at the request of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge : —

Ordered, That the Attorney-General be requested to examine House Bill No. 1001, entitled "An Act to authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to grant locations to street railway companies," together with existing laws upon the subject, and to report to the General Court what authority, if any, over roads and parks within the park reservations would be possessed, after the passage of the said act, by the cities or towns owning such roads and parks.

Opinion of the Attorney-General, — authority of cities and towns over roads and parks within park reservations.

The consideration of the following order, offered by Mr. Fitts of Somerville, was postponed until Monday, at the request of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge : —

Ordered, That the Commissioners of Prisons be and are hereby directed to report to the Legislature the different salaries paid to officers employed in the county prisons in the Commonwealth.

Commissioners of Prisons, — salaries of officers of county prisons.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Kyle of Plymouth, a Bill to legalize and confirm the election of a board of health in the town of Plymouth. The bill having been read, Mr. Kyle moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Town of Plymouth, — board of health.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, petitions of George H. Lyman and others, Patrick A. Collins and others, Charles W. Eliot and others, Alanson W. Beard and others, S. Endicott Peabody and others, H. L. Higginson and

City of Boston, — height of buildings on Beacon Hill.

others, Bayard Thayer and others, H. P. Bowditch and others, Russell Sturgis and others, John C. Bancroft and others, Thomas A. Boyd and others, William Caleb Loring and others, John Dorr and others, Alex. F. Wadsworth and others, Henry G. Vaughan and others, Henry S. Grew and others, Adeline A. Bigelow and others, Annie Fields and others, Elizabeth P. Shattuck and others, Marion Endicott Brown and others, Katharine L. Robinson and others, Anna von Rydingsvard and others, Emma E. Dinsmore and others, Emily M. Eliot and others, Catherine E. Russell and others and Irene G. Sanford and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

By Mr. Campbell of Westfield, petitions of A. C. Ferrin, Catharine B. Hinsdale and others and a mass meeting held in Tremont Temple, Boston; by Mr. Davis of Amesbury, petition of J. Wesley Patterson, Annie L. Marston and others; by Mr. Hopewell of Fall River, petition of Hiram L. Hayes, Elizabeth A. Taylor and others; by Mr. Prindle of Williamstown, petition of the First Baptist Church of Dalton; by Mr. Severance of Shelburne, petition of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Conway; and by Mr. Simmons of Grafton, petition of Nellie H. Green Lodge, I. O. G. T., — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Transportation
companies, —
weekly rest-day
for employees.

By Mr. Cook of Milford, petition of John S. Henry and others; and by Mr. Minihan of Cambridge, petition of George Whitaker and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence: —

Committee on
Towns, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Towns shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 5.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 153) of Henry C. Whitney for the enactment of a law to protect the endorsers and guarantors of commercial paper ; and

Commercial paper, — endorsers and guarantors.

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 173) of Henry C. Whitney for an amendment of the law relative to equity hearings ;

Equity hearings.

Of the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address (Senate, No. 1) concerning State institutions as relates to prisons ;

Governor's address, — prisons.

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the twentieth annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity (Pub. Doc. No. 17) ; and

State Board of Lunacy and Charity, — report.

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 166) of Joseph J. Feely for legislation authorizing street railway companies to purchase private property for the purpose of straightening their roadbeds ; and

Street railway companies, — straightening of roadbeds.

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 216) of John F. Simmons for legislation granting additional rights to the Grafton, Upton and Milford Street Railway Company ;

Grafton, Upton and Milford Street Railway Company.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Petitions of Clarence H. James and others, Samuel R. Heywood and others and Marion E. Hastings and others, — severally, for such legislation as will restrict the height of buildings on Beacon Hill and protect the neighborhood of the State House and its adjacent grounds, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Cities.

City of Boston, — height of buildings on Beacon Hill.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Dooling of Holyoke, from the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 129) of William C. Parker and another for legislation to establish two polling places for caucuses in ward ten in the city of Boston.

City of Boston, — polling places in ward ten.

By Mr. Turtle of Pittsfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with ac-

Police courts, — special justices.

companying bill, House, No. 575) of Edward D. McVey for legislation to increase the number of special justices in police courts.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Labor, —
employment
of women and
minors.

By Mr. Driscoll of Chicopee, from the committee on Labor, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to prohibit the employment of women and minors in manufacturing establishments between the hours of six o'clock at night and six o'clock in the morning (House, No. 172) ought not to pass.

City of Boston,
— election of
aldermen.

By Mr. Lomasney of Boston, from the committees on Election Laws and Metropolitan Affairs, sitting jointly, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the election of aldermen in the city of Boston (House, No. 331) ought not to pass. [Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

Railroad
companies, —
platform gates
on cars.

By Mr. Haskins of Rockport, from the committee on Railroads, that the Bill (recommitted) to require railroad companies to equip their cars with platform gates (House, No. 649) ought not to pass. [Mr. Reed of Taunton, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

Land surveyors,
— examination
and licensing.

By Mr. Turtle of Pittsfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for the establishment of a board of examiners and for the licensing of land surveyors (House, No. 750) be referred to the next General Court. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on the reference of the bill to the next General Court.

Town of Long-
meadow, —
water supply.

By Mr. Langford of Newton, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 903), a Bill to supply the town of Longmeadow with water. (House, No. 1008.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

District Court
of Eastern
Franklin.

By Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, from the committee on Counties on the part of the House, that the Bill to establish the District Court of Eastern Franklin ought to pass. (House, No. 1007.) Placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Motions to Reconsider.

Mr. Russell of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 689) of Joseph H. Atkins and others for legislation relative to the prevention of the maintenance or operation of menhaden purse seines in the waters of the Commonwealth, and on further motion of the same gentleman, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Fisheries, —
menhaden
purse seines.

Mr. Carey of Haverhill moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 192) of James W. Stillman for legislation to prohibit the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court from sitting in review of decisions previously rendered by themselves, and further moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table.

Supreme
Judicial Court,
— review of
decisions.

After debate the motion to lay on the table was rejected and the House refused to reconsider.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To supply the town of Medway with water ;

Bills enacted.

To authorize the city of Woburn to issue additional water bonds ;

Relative to territorial jurisdiction in certain inquest proceedings ;

To provide additional land and buildings for the truant school of the county of Middlesex at Chelmsford ;

To provide an assistant clerk for the police court of Springfield and to establish his salary ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Relative to the counting of ballots at elections (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. Marden of Stoneham, the Bill to authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to grant locations to street railway companies (House, No.

Metropolitan
Park Commis-
sioners, —
street railway
companies.

1001) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was laid on the table, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Taxes and
claims, — part
payment.

On motion of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, the Bill to provide for partial payment of taxes and public debts (House, No. 921) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a "Bill to provide for part payment of taxes and of certain claims against cities and towns" (House, No. 1006).

Pending the amendment and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until Monday, on further motion of Mr. Apsey.

Orders of the Day.

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Bills :

To authorize the Essex Institute to hold additional real and personal estate (House, No. 938) ; and

To provide for the establishment of city and town seals (House, No. 1005) ; and

The Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Norfolk (House, No. 1003) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the city of Fall River to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for a textile school (House, No. 983) ; and

Resolves :

Granting a county tax for the county of Hampshire (House, No. 987) ;

Granting a county tax for the county of Worcester (House, No. 988) ;

Granting a county tax for the county of Franklin (House, No. 991) ;

Granting a county tax for the county of Dukes County (House, No. 992) ; and

Granting a county tax for the county of Barnstable (House, No. 993) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Quincy to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for street improvements (Senate, No. 227) ; and

To authorize the city of Brockton to borrow money for permanent street improvements (printed as House, No. 824) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth and suppressing the brown-tail moth (House, No. 915), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with a similar title (House, No. 1004).

On motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, it was voted that debate be closed at ten minutes before three o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached, and that speeches be limited to ten minutes each.

After debate the amendment was rejected, by a vote of 32 to 112, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 116 to 40, and sent up for concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read " Bill making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth and the brown-tail moth."

Reports :

Of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 589) of Charles A. Dean for legislation relative to workmen's trains and extending the time of service thereof ;

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 590) of John H. Carter for legislation relative to the sale of tickets on railroads in the suburban district of the city of Boston ; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 795) of George G. Tidsbury and others for legislation to provide low rates for travel over railroads within a radius of twenty-five miles of the city of Boston ;

Were severally postponed for consideration until Monday, on motions of Mr. Dean of Wakefield.

The Bill to regulate passenger fares on railroads within the suburban district of Boston (House, No. 551) was postponed for consideration until Monday, on motion of Mr. Dean of Wakefield, pending the question on its reference to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Railroads.

The Bill relative to the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors (House, No. 289) was read a third time and considered, and after debate the House refused to pass it to be engrossed, by a vote of 13 to 53.

The Bill to regulate the employment of labor (House, No. 159) was considered, and pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Labor,

On motion of Mr. Carey of Haverhill, at thirteen minutes past three o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, March 27, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by Reverend A. A. Williams of Lynn.

Orders.

The order requesting the Attorney-General to examine House Bill No. 1001, entitled "An Act to authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to grant locations to street railway companies," together with existing laws upon the subject, and to report to the General Court what authority, if any, over roads and parks within the park reservations would be possessed, after the passage of the said act, by the cities or towns owning such roads and parks, the consideration of which was postponed from Friday last, was rejected, by a vote of 12 to 27.

Opinion of the Attorney-General,—authority of cities and towns over roads and parks within park reservations.

The order directing the Commissioners of Prisons to report to the Legislature the different salaries paid to officers employed in the county prisons in the Commonwealth, the consideration of which was postponed from Friday last, was adopted, by a vote of 42 to 32.

Commissioners of Prisons,—salaries of officers of county prisons.

Subsequently, Mr. Parker of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the order was adopted, which motion was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, a Bill to provide for the better protection of human life in case of fire or panic. The bill having been read, Mr. Adams moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Human life,—protection in fire or panic.

By Mr. Jeremiah F. McCarthy of Boston, a Bill relative to the transportation of letter carriers on street cars in the city of Boston. The bill having been read, Mr. McCarthy moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

City of Boston,—transportation of letter carriers on street cars.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

By Mr. Rounseville of Rochester, petition of the Wareham W. C. T. U. ; and by Mr. Willard of Chelsea, petition of the Y. P. S. C. E. of the Central Congregational Church of Chelsea, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Nantasket
Beach, — public
reservation.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petitions of Oliver Ames, George A. O. Ernst and others and E. C. Benton, George R. Rogers and others ; by Mr. Russell of Boston, petition of F. C. Field, J. Newman & Sons and others ; by Mr. Sands of Boston, petitions of Walter M. Brackett, Erving Winslow and others and Henry F. Naphen, Frederick Higginson and others ; and by Mr. Selfridge of Boston, petition of Royal Robbins, David C. Percival and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
certain records.

By Mr. Marden of Stoneham, petitions of William H. Austin and others, Frank A. Fales and others and L. S. Watkins and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide for a record of the Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the war of the rebellion.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Transportation
companies, —
weekly rest-day
for employees.

By Mr. Root of Boston, petition of John T. Gibson and others in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies. To the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Small loans.

A report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 111) of C. F. King and others for amendment of the law relative to small loans and the redemption of the security therefor, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 27) of Orsino G. Sleeper, clerk of the municipal court of the city of Boston, that he may be allowed twenty-five hundred dollars, in addition to the sum now paid him, for clerical assistance, came down recommitted, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule. The House concurred in the suspension of the rule, and the report was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

City of Boston,
— clerical
assistance for
clerk of munic-
ipal court.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Grafton to incur certain indebtedness for school purposes beyond the limit fixed by law (Senate, No. 245) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 22) ;

Town of Graf-
ton, — indebted-
ness for school
purposes.

Relative to the nomination of public officers in certain cases (Senate, No. 247) (new draft of a bill introduced on leave, Senate, No. 18) ;

Public officers,
— nomination.

To provide for the better protection of infants (Senate, No. 248) ;

Infants.

To provide that reports shall be made by certain charitable corporations to the State Board of Charity (Senate, No. 249) ;

State Board of
Charity, —
reports of
charitable cor-
porations.

(Severally reported on the annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity, Pub. Doc. No. 17, in part) ;

To provide for the care and maintenance of indigent and neglected children (Senate, No. 250) (reported on so much of the Governor's address, Senate, No. 1, as relates to public charitable institutions) ;

Indigent and
neglected
children.

To authorize the town of Wareham to take, improve and use a certain parcel of land for a public park (Senate, No. 251) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 167) ; and

Town of Ware-
ham, — public
park.

Relative to caucuses and elections (Senate, No. 257) (reported on the number of assessed polls, registered voters, etc., Pub. Doc. No. 43, in part) ;

Caucuses and
elections.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Notice was received of the rejection by the Senate of the following bills, resolution and resolve : —

Bill to authorize towns to appropriate money for free public lectures (House, No. 889) ;

Towns, — free
public lectures.

Bill relative to the rate of interest on overdue taxes (House, No. 925) ;

Overdue taxes,
— rate of
interest.

State Prison
and Massachu-
setts Reforma-
tory, — officers.

Bill relative to the age of subordinate officers at the State Prison and at the Massachusetts Reformatory (House, No. 948) ;

Bounties.

Bill (introduced on leave) relative to providing for the payment of bounties to Massachusetts soldiers from the treasury of the Commonwealth in certain cases (House, No. 290) ;

Cities, —
licenses and
permits.

Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize cities to establish fees for licenses and permits (House, No. 619) ;

City of Boston,
— Hampden
street.

Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for the widening of Hampden street in the city of Boston (House, No. 620) ;

East Boston
tunnel.

Resolution relative to the construction of a tunnel to East Boston (Senate, No. 29) ;

Caucuses, —
voting.

Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for more direct and certain voting at caucuses (Senate, No. 52) ;

Barbers.

Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the licensing of barbers (Senate, No. 54) ;

Intoxicating
liquors, —
number of
licenses.

Bill (taken from the files of last year) relative to the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors (Senate, No. 68) ;

Elections, —
political
designations.

Bill (introduced on leave) to prohibit the placing of the name of a political party or any designation against the name of any candidate for a city or a town office (Senate, No. 71) ;

Cities, —
licenses and
permits.

Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize cities to establish fees for licenses and permits (Senate, No. 93) ;

City of Boston,
— intoxicating
liquors.

Bill (introduced on leave) relative to taking the vote upon the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 96) ;

First town
meeting, —
monument.

Resolve (introduced on leave) to provide for marking with a suitable monument the site of the first town meeting (Senate, No. 101) ; and

Aged and
insane, —
guardianship.

Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for the better protection of the aged and insane and of any others who may require guardianship (Senate, No. 104).

Reports of Committees.

City of
Lawrence, —
school com-
mittee.

By Mr. Chadwick of Newton, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 672) of J. C. Crombie for legislation relative to the powers of the school committee of the city of Lawrence.

By Mr. Selfridge of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 847) of the committee on rules of the Quincy Branch of the Granite Cutters' National Union for legislation to authorize labor organizations to patrol in vicinities in which there exists any strike, lockout or suspension of work.

Labor organizations, — right to patrol.

By Mr. Dean of Brookline, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 785) of Charles W. Pierce for legislation to authorize the park commissioners of the city of Boston to take Downings Pond and Chandlers Pond in said city and the city of Newton.

City of Boston, — Downings and Chandlers ponds.

By Mr. Sullivan of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 321) of the Boston Terminal Company for legislation relative to the extension and construction of Cove street in the city of Boston.

City of Boston, — Cove street.

By Mr. Libby of Medford, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 397) of Walter L. Sears for legislation to authorize the establishment and maintenance of free employment offices by the Commonwealth.

Free employment offices.

By Mr. Tatman of Worcester, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 489) of Howard K. Brown and another for legislation relative to the discharge of sureties on probate bonds.

Probate bonds, — discharge of sureties.

By Mr. Lowe of New Bedford, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 135) of Henry D. Yeaton for amendment of the law relative to appointments in the public service.

Public service, — appointments.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Davenport of Greenfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to mortgages of personal property (House, No. 538) ought not to pass.

Personal property, — mortgages.

By Mr. Schofield of Malden, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the apportionment of the cost of the metro-

Metropolitan parks and boulevards, — apportionment of cost.

politan parks and boulevards (House, No. 638) ought not to pass.

City of Boston,
— Cove street.

By Mr. Sullivan of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the extension of Cove street in the city of Boston (House, No. 533) ought not to pass. [Mr. Lomasney of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

National
constitutional
amendment, —
hours of labor.

By Mr. Murphy of Lawrence, from the committee on Federal Relations, that the Resolutions relative to an amendment of the national Constitution enabling Congress to regulate the hours of labor (House, No. 622) ought not to be adopted, for the reason that similar resolutions have already been adopted by the General Court. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the resolutions.

Metropolitan
park reserva-
tions, —
musical enter-
tainments.

By Mr. Dean of Brookline, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to make provision for musical entertainments in the reservations under their charge (House, No. 752) be referred to the next General Court.

Free employ-
ment offices in
cities.

By Mr. Libby of Medford, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to establish and maintain free employment offices in the cities of the Commonwealth (House, No. 618) be referred to the next General Court.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the reference of the bill to the next General Court.

Political com-
mittees and
caucuses.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, on a petition, a Bill relative to political committees and caucuses of political parties. (House, No. 690.) [Messrs. Dooling of Holyoke, Bresnahan of Boston and James H. Donovan of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

City of Boston,
— duties of
assessors.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 687), a Bill relative to the duties of assessors in the city of Boston. (House, No. 1009.)

By Mr. White of Somerville, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 486), a Bill relative to the construction of a boulevard from the town of Dedham to the Stony Brook Reservation in the town of Hyde Park. (House, No. 1011.)

Metropolitan Park Commissioners, — boulevard from Dedham to the Stony Brook Reservation.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to a boulevard from the Middlesex Fells parkway near the Mystic River to the Charles River (House, No. 753) ought to pass, in a new draft, with a similar title. (House, No. 1012.)

Metropolitan Park Commissioners, — boulevard from the Middlesex Fells parkway to the Charles River.

By Mr. Sullivan of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 35), a Bill to provide for the extension of Atlantic avenue, formerly Cove street, in the city of Boston. (House, No. 1010.)

City of Boston, — Cove street.

By Mr. Haywood of Lynn, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on a petition, a Bill relative to the release of estates of tenancy by curtesy, and rights by statute, by the guardian of an insane married man. (House, No. 789.)

Release, — tenancy by curtesy.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the allowance to be paid to the widow and children of a deceased person in certain cases (House, No. 85) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Deceased persons, — widows and children.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Dumond of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, refused to pass to be engrossed the Bill relative to the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors (House, No. 289), which motion, after debate, was adopted, by a vote of 101 to 48.

Intoxicating liquors, — number of licenses.

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved that it be referred to the next General Court.

After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Whipple of Brockton.

On the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Clerke

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of Boston, and the roll being called the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The vote was 127 yeas to 56 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles H.	Messrs. Harlow, Franklin P.
Bartlett, Edwin	Harvell, Elisha T.
Bennett, Frank P.	Harwood, George F.
Bleiler, John	Hawes, Martin E.
Blood, Charles H.	Haywood, Charles E.
Bridgeo, William	Heath, Guilford P.
Brigham, William M.	Henderson, Francis D.
Bugbee, Nelson A.	Hooper, Franklin K.
Burgess, Albert H.	Hopewell, William
Campbell, Andrew	Horton, Henry T.
Carey, James F.	Howland, Willard
Carleton, George H.	Hunt, James
Chadwick, N. Henry	Huntress, Franklin E.
Chase, Henry L.	Judd, William E.
Cluer, Arthur H.	Keith, Charles P.
Conwell, Robert E.	Kyle, William S.
Cook, Clifford A.	Leland, Francis
Coolidge, Daniel S.	Leslie, George F.
Corey, Charles V.	Libby, John F.
Crosby, Aaron S.	Litchfield, James A.
Crosby, Alfred R.	Litchfield, William C.
Crosby, J. Howell	Lockhart, Alexander
Davis, William R.	Lombard, Edward M.
Dean, Benjamin C.	Lowe, John H.
Dean, Charles A.	Luce, Robert
Drake, Frederic P.	Marchant, Charles S.
Dudley, George J.	Marden, William H.
Dumond, John B.	McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
Dyer, George N.	Mead, Edward C.
Eddy, Curtis	Miller, Calvin S.
Ellsworth, J. Lewis	Mills, Charles P.
Estes, Eugene B.	Morse, Merrick A.
Farwell, Frederick W.	Munroe, John P.
Favor, John	Myers, James J.
Feiker, William H.	Neal, David
Fisher, George E.	Newton, H. Huestis
Fitts, Frank E.	Newton, Phineas S.
Folsom, Albert T.	Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.
Foster, Frank A.	Persons, Charles H.
Gilpatric, Fred C.	Pike, William T.
Goulding, Albert M.	Porter, Thomas F.
Grimes, James W.	Puffer, Herbert C.
Hagberg, John G.	Ramsdell, Charles H.

Messrs. Ray, Albert H.
 Reed, Silas D.
 Robinson, Lewis D.
 Root, Albert B.
 Rounseville, Albert
 Russell, Arthur P.
 Salter, William R.
 Sands, Edward P.
 Saunders, Charles R.
 Scates, Louis M.
 Schofield, William
 Seavey, James F.
 Selfridge, George S.
 Severance, Joseph C.
 Shaw, Nathan W.
 Sheppard, Eben W.
 Sisson, Robert S.
 Skillings, William E.
 Skinner, Henry R.
 Smith, Allen F.
 Smith, Charles F. A.

Messrs. Sprague, Eugene H.
 Stalker, Hugh L.
 Stanley, Benjamin F.
 Stewart, Joseph I.
 Stone, Silas A.
 Tatman, Charles T.
 Tolman, William
 Trow, Charles E.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Twombly, Horatio F.
 Upson, Charles H.
 Varney, George E.
 Wells, Abelard E.
 Weston, Walter S.
 Whall, Harry B.
 Whipple, John J.
 White, Horace C.
 Willard, Edward E.
 Williams, George F.
 Wood, Alva S.

NAYS.

Messrs. Balcom, George
 Bresnahan, Hugh W.
 Clerke, Charles S.
 Conroy, Thomas A.
 Cullinane, Richard
 Dalton, J. Frank
 Daly, William
 Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
 Dillon, Thomas J.
 Donahue, Thomas
 Donovan, Edward J.
 Donovan, James H.
 Donovan, Michael J.
 Dooling, Thomas J.
 Douglass, John J.
 Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
 Flanagan, John J.
 Francis, Frank W.
 Gartland, John J., Jr.
 Grant, Oliver S.
 Green, Thomas H.
 Hancock, Portus B.
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Haskins, Leander M.
 Howard, Robert
 Kane, Daniel J.

Messrs. Kells, William, Jr.
 King, Charles F.
 King, Randolph V.
 Lomasney, Martin M.
 Mackey, Thomas
 Mahoney, David A.
 Mahony, Frederick C.
 Mansfield, Matthew M.
 Marchesseault, Eugene D.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Miller, William J.
 Minihan, Cornelius
 Minton, John M.
 Montgomery, James A.
 Morrison, Andrew H.
 Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
 Odlin, William
 Parker, William C.
 Paton, Alexander S.
 Queeney, James H.
 Ross, Leonard W.
 Ross, Samuel
 Sparks, John T.
 Stone, Willmore B.
 Sullivan, Timothy F.

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Toomey, John J.

Messrs. Twomey, Edmund J.
Whelan, John B.

127 yeas ; 56 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced :—

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Adams, Austin F.	Messrs. Lanergan, John P.*
Chandler, Leonard B.*	Fitzgerald, William T. A.
Frost, Archie N.	Donovan, Eugene E.*
Chapple, William D.	Bullock, William J.*
Powers, John A.*	Gaddis, Michael E.
Battles, David W.	Sullivan, Michael J.*

* Present.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

Relative to the powers of the trustees of the sinking fund of the water board of the city of Cambridge ;

Relative to the authority of the city of Cambridge to continue the pay of disabled officers and employees in certain cases ;

To authorize the town of Russell to refund a part of its indebtedness ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the District Court of Northern Berkshire ;

To authorize the Proprietors of the Independent Congregational Church in Barton Square in Salem, the East Church Society in Salem and the Second Church in Salem to unite ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relative to the admission of patients to the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics ;

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Worcester to borrow money for completing, equipping and furnishing the court house at Worcester ;

To authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to loan upon the bonds of the Boston Terminal Company ;

To authorize the city of Quincy to refund a part of its indebtedness ; and

Relative to fees for serving precepts for elections and subpcenas ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves ;

Granting a county tax for the county of Essex ;

Granting a county tax for the county of Berkshire ;

Granting a county tax for the county of Middlesex ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Relative to Benjamin H. Jellison (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motions of Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, the reports :

Of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 589) of Charles A. Dean for legislation relative to work-
ingmen's trains and extending the time of service thereof ;

Railroad
companies, —
workingmen's
trains.

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 590) of John H. Carter for legislation relative to the sale
of tickets on railroads in the suburban district of the city
of Boston ; and

City of Boston,
— fares on
suburban trains.

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 795) of George G. Tidsbury and others for legislation to
provide low rates for travel over railroads within a radius
of twenty-five miles of the city of Boston ;

Id.

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day,
under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and laid on
the table.

On motions of Mr. Trow of Salem, the Bill to regulate
passenger fares on railroads within the suburban district
of Boston (House, No. 551) was discharged from the
orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid
on the table, pending the question on its reference to the
next General Court, as recommended by the committee
on Railroads.

Id.

On motions of Mr. Feiker of Northampton, the report
of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw,
on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 493)
of William H. Feiker for legislation to require street rail-

Street railway
companies, —
enclosed
platforms on
cars.

way companies to enclose the platforms of their cars during certain months of the year, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

City of Boston,
— polling places
in ward ten.

On motions of Mr. Parker of Boston, the report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 129) of William C. Parker and another for legislation to establish two polling places for caucuses in ward ten in the city of Boston, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

City of Boston,
— election of
aldermen.

On motions of Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, the Bill relative to the election of aldermen in the city of Boston (House, No. 331) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committees on Election Laws and Metropolitan Affairs, sitting jointly.

City of Boston,
— Malden
Bridge.

On motion of Mr. Russell of Boston, the Bill relative to Malden Bridge, so called, in the city of Boston (House, No. 936), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
rights of real
estate owners.

On motion of Mr. Odlin of Andover, the Bill relative to the rights of owners of real estate in the matter of granting of liquor licenses (House, No. 954) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until Thursday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
day.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 575) of Edward D. McVey for legislation to increase the number of special justices in police courts ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 775) of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for legislation to authorize the imposing of conditions in licenses granted to innholders and common victuallers; and

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 403) of the Massachusetts Hotel Association for legislation relative to the defrauding of innkeepers; and

On the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 772) of Eleanor Hebb for legislation to reimburse her for the payment into the treasury of the Commonwealth of a portion of the estate of Charles Peters, her brother-in-law ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 153) of Henry C. Whitney for the enactment of a law to protect the endorsers and guarantors of commercial paper ; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate No. 173) of Henry C. Whitney for an amendment of the law relative to equity hearings ;

Of the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address (Senate, No. 1) concerning State institutions as relates to prisons ;

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 131) of Henry D. Yeaton for legislation providing that the office of the Insurance Commissioner shall be a public record office ; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 177) of Thomas C. Day for legislation relative to the sale of real estate by public administrators ; and

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the twentieth annual report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity (Pub. Doc. No. 17) ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to the injury or destruction of street railway signals (House, No. 873) ; and

To supply the town of Longmeadow with water (House, No. 1008) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relative to the protection of shade trees (House, No. 826) ; and

To authorize the Essex Institute to hold additional real and personal estate (House, No. 938) ; and

The Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Norfolk (House, No. 1003) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to domestic and foreign mutual assessment life insurance corporations (Senate, No. 222) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to regulate the employment of labor (House, No. 159), being the unfinished business of Friday last, was further considered, and after debate, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Labor,

On motion of Mr. Litchfield of Middleborough, at twenty-three minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 28, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by Reverend Lewis B. Bates of Boston.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Marden of Stoneham, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs be granted until Wednesday, April 12, to report upon matters referred to it previously to the second Wednesday in March. Committee on
Military Affairs,
— reports.

Sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Turner of Malden, a Bill to amend chapter 177 of the Acts of the year 1899 relative to the park indebtedness of the city of Malden. The bill having been read, Mr. Turner moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules. City of Malden,
— park indebtedness.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred: —

By Mr. Stanley of Newburyport, petition of Charles G. Brown, Charlotte C. Hopkins and others; and by Mr. Wheeler of Boston, petition of a union meeting of churches in Brighton, — severally, in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools. Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

Severally to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Langford of Newton, petitions of Lewis E. Coffin, H. S. Keyes and others and Richard Anders, Maude Beverly and others; by Mr. Litchfield of Lunenburg, petition of Increase E. Noyes, Walter M. Hatch and Company and others; by Mr. Morse of Belchertown, petitions of Abraham Levy, F. L. Miller and others and Austin T. Sylvester, C. H. Batchelder and others; and by Mr. Sheppard of Quincy, petitions of Edwin E. Davis, Alonzo G. Durgin and others, Herbert S. Hayford, John R. Nantasket
Beach, — public
reservation.

Graham and others, William A. Hodges, Robert S. Atkins and others, Edward Southworth, John A. Gordon and others and Arthur E. Sproul, George J. Richards and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Soldiers and
sailors, — cer-
tain records.

By Mr. Goulding of Duxbury, petition of Israel H. Carver and others; and by Mr. Litchfield of Lunenburg, petition of Stillman Stone and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide for a record of the Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the war of the rebellion.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Transportation
companies, —
weekly rest-day
for employees.

By Mr. Dean of Wakefield, petition of Samuel G. Dunham and others; and by Mr. Schofield of Malden, petition of Herbert E. Noble and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies.

Severally to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Supreme
Judicial Court,
— appeals from
probate courts.

By Mr. Schofield of Malden, petition of Richard W. Shea for legislation to regulate procedure in taxation of costs in cases and expenses appealed from probate courts to the Supreme Judicial Court. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Street railway
companies, —
enclosed
platforms on
cars.

Mr. Fitts of Somerville presented a petition of Amelia H. Wood, Seth Mason and others in aid of the petition for legislation to require street railway companies to enclose the platforms of their cars during certain months of the year, and the same was placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

State Board of
Agriculture, —
executive
work of the
Dairy Bureau.

Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 74) of D. A. Horton and others for legislation better to provide for the executive work of the State Dairy Bureau and for the compensation of its executive officer;

Commissioners
on Inland
Fisheries and
Game.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game (Pub. Doc. No. 25);

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, Senate, No. 120) of Fred R. Slater that he may be compensated for the destruction of certain buildings in the town of Swampscott by order of the Metropolitan Park Commission ;

Fred R. Slater.

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 130) of Henry C. Whitney for a law to insure protection to religious sects in their religious observances ;

Religious sects.

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the forty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital (Pub. Doc. No. 22) ; and

Taunton Lunatic Hospital.

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 137) of Edward W. Thurston and others for legislation relative to the operating of the draw in the bridge across Taunton Great River between Fall River and Somerset ;

Taunton Great River, — draw-bridge between Fall River and Somerset.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the District Court of Central Berkshire (Senate, No. 217) (reported on a petition) [Mr. Scates of Haverhill, of the House, dissenting], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Counties on the part of the House.

District Court of Central Berkshire, — salary of justice.

A Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the examination of street railway bridges (Senate, No. 262), referred by the Senate to the committee on Street Railways, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Street railway bridges.

Petitions of the Y. P. S. C. E. and the Sunday School of the First Congregational Church of Hanson, the Nellie H. Green Lodge, I. O. G. T., of Shrewsbury, the Arlington W. C. T. U., the Methodist Episcopal Church and Sunday School of Cochranton, Edward Augustus Rand and others, the Union Congregational Church and Y. P. S. C. E. of Medford, the Y. P. S. C. E. of the Mystic Church of Medford, the Congregational Church of Reading, the First Baptist Church of North Attleborough,

Public schools, — physiology and hygiene.

the Pilgrim Congregational Church of Dorchester, the Stoughton Street Baptist Church of Dorchester, Hiram T. Hayes and others, the Baptist Church of Carver, the Congregational Church and Sunday School of Granby, the Y. P. S. C. E. of the Lawrence Street Congregational Church of Lawrence, the First Baptist Church of Worcester, the Old South Church of Worcester and other churches, the Methodist Episcopal churches of the Lenox charge, the First Baptist Church of Dalton, the Congregational Church of Housatonic, the Y. P. S. C. E. of the First Baptist Church of Pittsfield, the First Baptist Church of Needham and the Y. P. S. C. E. of the Central Congregational Church of Chelsea, — severally, for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education.

Arthur D.
McClellan.

A petition (with accompanying resolve, Senate, No. 263) of Arthur D. McClellan that his acts as a justice of the peace may be confirmed, referred by the Senate, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the joint committee on the Judiciary; and

Town of
Winchester, —
town meeting.

A petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 264) of Fred Joy that the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Winchester may be legalized and confirmed, referred by the Senate, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Probate and Insolvency;

Were severally referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Reports of Committees.

Committee on
Mercantile
Affairs, —
travel.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the House should not concur with the Senate in the adoption of the order authorizing the committee on Mercantile Affairs to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth and to Providence, Rhode Island, in the discharge of its duties. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone.

Mr. Kyle of Plymouth moved to amend the order by striking out the words “and to Providence, Rhode Island,” which motion, after debate, was adopted, by a vote of 71 to 54.

The order was then rejected.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on City of Malden, — park indebtedness. Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) to amend chapter 177 of the Acts of the year 1899 relative to the park indebtedness of the city of Malden. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the 12th joint rule was suspended, by a vote of 105 to 2, and the bill was referred to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on Town of Plymouth, — board of health. Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) to legalize and confirm the election of a board of health in the town of Plymouth. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill (House, No. 1016) was referred to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Williams of Foxborough, from the committee Labor, — disputes between employers and employees. on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 505) of Richard Cullinane for legislation relative to the settlement of disputes between employers and employees. [Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, of the House, dissenting.]

By Mr. King of Boston, from the committee on Telephone companies, — charges and service. Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 709) of W. A. Davenport and another for legislation to regulate charges for telephone service. [Messrs. Willard of Chelsea, Battles of Brockton and Clerke of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

By Mr. Grimes of Reading, from the committee on Massachusetts Highway Commission, — abolition and transfer of duties. Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 254) of Charles P. Mills for legislation to abolish the Massachusetts Highway Commission and to transfer its duties to the county commissioners and a State engineer. [Mr. Marchant of Gloucester, of the House, dissenting.]

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave Massachusetts Highway Commission, — apportionment of expenditures. to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 255) of Charles P. Mills for legislation relative to the apportionment of money expended by the Massachusetts Highway Commission. [Mr. Marchant of Gloucester, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Labor, —
women and
minors.

By Mr. Bartlett of Oxford, from the committee on Labor, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the hours of labor of women and minors (House, No. 126) ought not to pass. [Mr. Moran, of the Senate, and Messrs. Ross of New Bedford, Donahue of Fall River, Cullinane of Lawrence and Driscoll of Chicopee, of the House, dissenting.]

Labor, —
contract system
on public
works.

By Mr. Cook of Milford, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to abolish the contract system on public works (House, No. 337) ought not to pass. [Messrs. Ross of New Bedford and Cullinane of Lawrence, of the House, dissenting.]

Telephone
companies, —
charges and
service.

By Mr. Odlin of Andover, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to charges and service of companies engaged in telephone business in this Commonwealth (House, No. 134) ought not to pass. [Messrs. Willard of Chelsea, Battles of Brockton and Clerke of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

Corporations, —
examination of
books and
accounts by
stockholders.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (recommitted) to authorize stockholders of certain corporations to examine their books and accounts (House, No. 895) ought not to pass.

City of Boston,
— park build-
ings and lands.

By Mr. Russell of Boston, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to lands and buildings under the control of the park commissioners of the city of Boston (House, No. 762) ought not to pass.

Fraternal
military organ-
izations.

By Mr. Harlow of Whitman, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to fraternal military organizations (House, No. 755) ought not to pass.

Soldiers, —
bounties.

By Mr. Robinson of Springfield, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the payment of bounties to Massachusetts soldiers (House, No. 850) ought not to pass. [Messrs. Marden of Stoneham, Harlow of Whitman and Goulding of Duxbury, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

Small loans.

By Mr. Johnson of Worcester, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to small loans and the redemption of the security therefor (House, No. 541) be referred to the next General Court.

By Mr. White of Somerville, from the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Drainage, sitting jointly, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) relative to a high-level sewer connecting the city of Worcester with the metropolitan sewerage system (House, No. 382) be referred to the next General Court.

City of Worcester, — metropolitan sewerage system.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on reference to the next General Court.

By Mr. Balcom of Marlborough, from the committee on Drainage, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 511), a Bill relative to water courses and drains in the city of Marlborough. (House, No. 1014.)

City of Marlborough, — water courses and drains.

By Mr. Clerke of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Sutton Home for Aged Women in Peabody. (House, No. 902.)

Sutton Home for Aged Women in Peabody.

By Mr. Keith of Cambridge, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 407), a Bill to place the Chestnut Hill Reservoir grounds under the custody of the board of park commissioners of the city of Boston. (House, No. 1015.)

City of Boston, — Chestnut Hill Reservoir grounds.

By Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 187), a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to incur indebtedness outside the debt limit for the purpose of continuing the construction of its public parks. (House, No. 1013.) [Mr. Maxwell, of the Senate, dissenting.]

City of Boston, — public parks.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Francis of New Bedford, from the committee on Counties on the part of the House, that the Bill to establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the police court of Fitchburg (House, No. 30) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Police court of Fitchburg, — salaries of justice and clerk.

By Mr. Burrington of Franklin, from the committee on Education, that the Bill (taken from the files of last year) to authorize a State appropriation for the support of public schools (House, No. 301) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 1069.) [Mr. Keliher, of the Senate, and Mr. Lowe of New Bedford,

Public schools, — State appropriation.

of the House, dissenting.] Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Reconsideration.

Opinion of the Attorney-General,—authority of cities and towns over roads and parks within park reservations.

On motion of Mr. Marden of Stoneham, the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the order requesting the Attorney-General to examine House Bill, No. 1001, entitled "An Act to authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to grant locations to street railway companies," together with existing laws upon the subject, and to report to the General Court what authority, if any, over roads and parks within the park reservations would be possessed, after the passage of the said act, by the cities or towns owning such roads and parks,—was reconsidered.

Pending the recurring question on the adoption of the order, it was laid on the table, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Relative to the standard quality of milk ;

To provide for the further protection of the public health in the city of Boston ;

Relative to the order in which political designations shall be placed upon the official ballot in elections ;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to make an additional park loan ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the city of Brockton to borrow money for permanent street improvements ; and

To authorize the city of Quincy to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for street improvements ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

City of Boston,
— Cove street.

On motion of Mr. Dean of Brookline, the Bill to provide for the extension of Atlantic avenue, formerly Cove street, in the city of Boston (House, No. 1010), was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was re-

committed to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, on further motions of the same gentleman, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

On further motion of Mr. Dean, the report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 321) of the Boston Terminal Company for legislation relative to the extension and construction of Cove street in the city of Boston, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, it was recommitted, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, on further motions of the same gentleman, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

City of Boston,
— Cove street.

On further motions of Mr. Dean, the Bill relative to the extension of Cove street in the city of Boston (House, No. 533) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Cluer of Lowell, the Bill to provide a penalty for trespassing upon bicycle paths (House, No. 978) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time.

Bicycle paths.

The same gentleman moved to amend by inserting after section 2 the following new section: "*Section 3.* The board of aldermen of cities and the board of selectmen of towns shall have the authority to prescribe within what limits, if any, this act shall not apply."

The amendment was adopted, and pending the question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading, it was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on further motion of Mr. Cluer.

On motions of Mr. Fitts of Somerville, the report of the committee on Prisons, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 324) of William Lawrence and others for legislation to provide for the control of jails and houses of correction by the Commonwealth, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Wednesday, April 5, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Jails and houses
of correction, —
State control.

*Orders of the Day.***Reports :**

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw :

Orders of the day.

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 391) of John C. Sanborn and others for legislation to change the name of the police court of Lawrence and to enlarge its jurisdiction ; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 459) of Richard W. Irwin and others for legislation relative to the limitation of action on judgments and decrees of courts of record ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 782) of George W. R. Harriman for legislation to provide for the regulation of certain quasi-public corporations ;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 785) of Charles W. Pierce for legislation to authorize the park commissioners of the city of Boston to take Downings Pond and Chandlers Pond in said city and the city of Newton ; and

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 489) of Howard K. Brown and another for legislation relative to the discharge of sureties on probate bonds ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to contracts made by the city of Boston for public works (House, No. 258) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Labor, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to provide for the establishment of a board of examiners and for the licensing of land surveyors (House, No. 750) was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

To prevent coercion of employees (House, No. 565) ;

To authorize clerks of police, municipal and district courts to approve bastardy bonds (House, No. 699) ;

To regulate the width of tires on draught wagons (House, No. 794) ;

To constitute eight hours a day's work for city and town employees (House, No. 984) ;

Relative to the system of playgrounds for the city of Boston (House, No. 996) ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex (House, No. 999) ;

Relative to the construction of a boulevard from the town of Dedham to the Stony Brook Reservation in the town of Hyde Park (House, No. 1011) ;

Relative to the construction of a boulevard from the Middlesex Fells parkway to the Charles River (House, No. 1012) ; and

To provide for a normal school-house in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 108) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relative to the injury or destruction of street railway signals (House, No. 873) ;

To exempt certain loan companies from procuring local licenses (House, No. 975) ;

Relative to the regulation of electric wires (House, No. 981) ;

To change the name of the police court of Haverhill and to include the towns of Georgetown and Boxford within its judicial district (House, No. 990) ;

To provide for the establishment of city and town seals (House, No. 1005) ; and

To supply the town of Longmeadow with water (House, No. 1008) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to collection agencies (Senate, No. 86) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to commitments to the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates (House, No. 763) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 1017).

Pending the amendment and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge.

The Bill to provide for partial payment of taxes and public debts (House, No. 921) was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The pending bill (House, No. 1006), recommended as a substitute by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was substituted, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, adopted the order directing the Commissioners of Prisons to report to the Legislature the different salaries paid to officers employed in the county prisons in the Commonwealth, was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Wood of Woburn.

The Bill to regulate the employment of labor (House, No. 159), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Labor.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, the bill was rejected, as recommended by the committee, by a vote of 116 to 25, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the purchase of gas and electric light plants by cities and towns (House, No. 339) was considered, and after debate the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Manufactures, was negatived, by a vote of 39 to 61, and it was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to incorporate the Street Railway Mutual Insurance Company (House, No. 976) was considered, and after debate, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading,

At twenty minutes before five o'clock, under the standing order, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 29, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Bill Ordered Printed.

On motion of Mr. Leland of Templeton, two hundred copies of a Bill relative to the school committee of the city of Boston were ordered printed for the use of the committee on Education. City of Boston,
— school
committee.

Annual Report.

The thirty-sixth annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College (Pub. Doc. No. 31), received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was referred to the committee on Agriculture and sent up for concurrence. Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Libby of Medford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency be granted until Monday, April 10, to report upon matters referred to it previously to the second Wednesday in March. Committee on
Probate and
Insolvency, —
reports.

Sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Balcom of Marlborough, a Resolve to provide for the distribution of copies of the book entitled "Massachusetts in the Army and Navy." The resolve having been read, Mr. Balcom moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules. "Massachusetts
in the Army
and Navy."

Petitions.

The following petitions and remonstrances were severally presented and referred: —

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, petition of Julia Ward Howe and others in aid of the petition for legislation to City of Boston,
— height of
buildings on
Beacon Hill.

limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston. To the committee on Cities.

Public schools,
— studies;
physiology
and hygiene.

By Mr. Litchfield of Lunenburg, remonstrance of Alvale M. Levy, Emma J. Bennett and others; and by Mr. Whelan of Weymouth, remonstrance of Frank B. Cressey, Nellie F. Hollis and others, — severally, against the passage of the Bill relative to studies in the public schools, and petitions of the same in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following orders were severally adopted, in concurrence: —

Committee on
Federal Relations,
— reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Federal Relations shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 5.

Committee on
Mercantile
Affairs, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Mercantile Affairs shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 12.

Committee on
Metropolitan
Affairs, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Metropolitan Affairs shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 5.

Committees on
Metropolitan
Affairs and
Drainage, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Drainage, sitting jointly, shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 5.

Committees on
Metropolitan
Affairs and
Roads and
Bridges, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Roads and Bridges, sitting jointly, shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 5.

Committees on
Metropolitan
Affairs and
Water Supply,
— reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly, shall make final report on matters referred to them previ-

ously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 5.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Public Charitable Institutions shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 5.

Committee on Public Charitable Institutions, — reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Public Service shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 5.

Committee on Public Service, — reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Roads and Bridges shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 5.

Committee on Roads and Bridges, — reports.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 152) of Asa P. French for the repeal of the act relative to evidence in actions against the estates of deceased persons ; and

Estates of deceased persons, — evidence in actions.

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 318) of Augustus Bedford and others for legislation to regulate the hours of labor of hospital nurses and attendants and to designate the location of their sleeping apartments ;

Hospital nurses and attendants, — hours of labor and sleeping apartments.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A Bill relative to the investments of savings banks and institutions for savings (Senate, No. 259) (new draft of a bill, Senate, No. 92, introduced on leave), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Savings banks, — investments.

Resolves :

To provide for repairs at the Massachusetts Reformatory (Senate, No. 254) (reported on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons, Pub. Doc. No. 13, in part) ; and

Massachusetts Reformatory, — repairs.

Relative to the industries at the Massachusetts Reformatory (Senate, No. 255) (reported on the annual report of the General Superintendent of Prisons, Pub. Doc. No. 41, in part) ;

Massachusetts Reformatory, — industries.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Trust companies, —
unauthorized
transaction of
business.

The House Bill to prohibit the unauthorized transaction of business under the name of a trust company (House, No. 884) (its title having been changed by the Senate) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. On motion of Mr. Henderson of Rowley, the rule was suspended and the House refused to concur in the amendments.

State Prison, —
assistant watch-
men.

The House Bill relative to the appointment of assistant watchmen at the State Prison (House, No. 964) came down, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

Legacies, —
committee of
conference.

The House Bill relative to legacies (House, No. 442) came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendments, concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference and that Messrs. Williams, Post and Joy had been appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

State Normal
School at
Lowell, —
apparatus.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve to provide suitable apparatus for the State Normal School at Lowell be re-committed to the committee on Education. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Watson of Lowell, and the resolve was recommitted, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, moved by the same gentleman, and was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

City of Boston,
— father of
Thomas L.
Rourke.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of Daniel J. Kane that the city of Boston may be authorized to pay a sum of money to the father of Thomas L. Rourke. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCarthy, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1025) was referred to the committee on Cities and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the petition of Arthur D. McClellan that his acts as a justice of the peace may be confirmed. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Howland, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition (with accompanying resolve, Senate, No. 263) was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Arthur D.
McClellan.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the petition of Fred Joy that the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Winchester may be legalized and confirmed. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hayes, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 264) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Town of
Winchester, —
town meeting.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the examination of street railway bridges. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the bill (Senate, No. 262) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Street Railways.

Street railway
bridges.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be not suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the capital of companies formed for the transaction of accident insurance.

Insurance com-
panies, —
accident insur-
ance.

By Mr. Kane of Boston, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 526) of William C. Parker for legislation relative to rubbish being placed in the streets of the Commonwealth.

Streets, —
rubbish.

By Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, from the committee on Counties, no further legislation necessary, on the recommendations and suggestions of the Controller of County Accounts (House, No. 33).

Controller of
County Ac-
counts.

Massachusetts
Nautical Train-
ing School.

By Mr. Fisher of Amherst, from the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Commissioners of the Massachusetts Nautical Training School (Pub. Doc. No. 42).

County of
Nantucket, —
fisheries.

By Mr. Swift of Tisbury, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 175) of Charles G. Coffin, 3d, and others for legislation to prevent the use of seines, nets and other devices in the waters of the county of Nantucket. [Mr. Andrews of Nantucket, of the House, dissenting.]

Corporations, —
issue of special
stock.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 470) of Charles P. Mills for legislation relative to the issue of special stock by corporations.

Waltham, Ayer
and Pepperell
Street Railway
Company.

By Mr. Munroe of Worcester, from the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 416) of Carl Dickinson and others for legislation to incorporate the Waltham, Ayer and Pepperell Street Railway Company.

Town of
Revere, —
indebtedness
for highway
construction.

By Mr. Marchesseault of Spencer, from the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommended, with accompanying bill, House, No. 190) of the selectmen of the town of Revere for legislation to authorize said town to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of constructing highways.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Walter H.
Gilman.

By Mr. McIsaac of Boston, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve in favor of Walter H. Gilman (House, No. 117) ought not to pass. [Mr. Watson of Lowell dissenting.] Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the resolve.

Public schools,
— studies.

By Mr. Smith of Dover, from the committee on Education, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to studies in the public schools (House, No. 817) ought not to pass.

Caucuses.

By Mr. Newton of Everett, from the committee on Election Laws, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to caucuses (House, No. 655) ought not to pass.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the committee on Labor, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the hours of labor of women and minors (House, No. 167) ought not to pass. [Mr. Moran, of the Senate, and Messrs. Ross of New Bedford and Donahue of Fall River, of the House, dissenting.]

Labor, —
women and
minors.

By Mr. Kyle of Plymouth, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to charges and service of companies engaged in telegraph business in this Commonwealth (House, No. 221) ought not to pass. [Messrs. Willard of Chelsea, Battles of Brockton and Clerke of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

Telegraph
companies, —
charges and
service.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. Reed of Taunton, from the committee on Railroads, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to grant to all express companies reasonable and equal terms, facilities and accommodations upon railroads (House, No. 549) be referred to the next General Court. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the reference of the bill to the next General Court.

Express com-
panies, — ac-
commodations
on railroads.

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, from the committee on Ways and Means, on the Resolve to provide for certain new buildings and improvements at the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics, in part, a Bill to provide for the construction of new buildings at the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics. (House, No. 1021.)

Massachusetts
Hospital for
Epileptics, —
new buildings.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the Resolve to provide for certain new buildings and improvements at the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics, a Resolve to provide for certain improvements at the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics. (House, No. 1027.)

Massachusetts
Hospital for
Epileptics, —
improvements.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of John O'Neil. (House, No. 508.)

John O'Neil.

By Mr. Shaw of Raynham, from the committee on Agriculture, on petitions (with accompanying bills, House, Nos. 647 and 656), a Bill to codify and amend the laws relative to the preservation of trees. (House, No. 1022.)

Preservation of
trees.

By Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, from the committee on Counties, on a petition (with accompanying bill, Senate,

County of
Middlesex, —
permanent court

officer for probate court.

No. 107), a Bill to authorize the appointment of a permanent court officer for the probate court of the county of Middlesex. (House, No. 1019.)

City of Boston, — municipal elections.

By Mr. Newton of Everett, from the committee on Election Laws, on a bill introduced on leave (House, No. 87) and on a bill taken from the files of last year (House, No. 184), a Bill relative to the time for holding municipal elections in the city of Boston. (House, No. 1018.) [Mr. Kenefick, of the Senate, and Messrs. Saunders of Boston, Bresnahan of Boston and James H. Donovan of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

Alcohol and intoxicating liquors, — dispensaries in no-license cities and towns.

By Mr. Estes of Brockton, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 39), a Bill to establish dispensaries for the sale of alcohol and intoxicating liquors in no-license cities and towns. (House, No. 1024.) [Messrs. Harrington and Patch, of the Senate, and Messrs. Odlin of Andover, Minihan of Cambridge and Litchfield of Lunenburg, of the House, dissenting.]

Judges of probate and insolvency, — duties.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 245) and on a bill introduced on leave (House, No. 368), a Bill relative to the duties of judges of probate and insolvency. (House, No. 1020.)

Surety companies, — bonds in probate courts.

By Mr. McLoughlin of Worcester, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to bonds in probate courts signed by surety companies. (House, No. 610.)

Cities and towns, — land taking.

By Mr. Smith of Waltham, from the same committee, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 727), a Bill relative to the taking of land by cities and towns. (House, No. 1026.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Textile schools.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill relative to the establishment of textile schools ought to pass. (House, No. 1023.)

Reformatory Prison for Women, — repairs.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide for certain repairs at the Reformatory Prison for Women (Senate, No. 242) ought to pass.

Lowell Textile School.

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the Lowell Textile School ought to pass. (House, No. 1028.)

Little, Brown and Company.

By Mr. McIsaac of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide for the renewal of an existing

contract with the firm of Little, Brown and Company (House, No. 746) ought to pass.

By Mr. Cook of Milford, from the committee on Labor, Labor. that the Bill (introduced on leave) to regulate the employment of labor (House, No. 897) ought to pass. [Mr. Ross of New Bedford, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Lowe of New Bedford, from the committee on Education, on the sixty-second annual report of the State Board of Education (Pub. Doc. No. 2), in part, a Resolve to provide for cleaning and painting the original building of the State Normal Art School in the city of Boston. State Normal Art School.

By Mr. Moore of West Stockbridge, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of George Dunbar. George Dunbar. (House, No. 711.)

By Mr. Sisson of Lynn, from the committee on Printing, on so much of the annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth (Pub. Doc. No. 46) as relates to the document division, regimental histories, State printing and early laws, in part, a Resolve to provide for printing twelve thousand copies of the Blue Book of 1899. Blue Book of 1899.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Lowe of New Bedford, from the committee on Education, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) relative to the Normal Art School building (House, No. 294) ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means. State Normal Art School.

Reconsideration.

Mr. King of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected, as amended, the Senate order authorizing the committee on Mercantile Affairs to travel within the limits of the Commonwealth and to Providence, Rhode Island, in the discharge of its duties, which motion, after debate, was adopted. Committee on Mercantile Affairs, — travel.

On the recurring question, the order was adopted, in concurrence, and was sent up for concurrence in the amendment adopted by the House.

Question of Order.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester raised the question of order that the Bill to provide for the care and maintenance of Question of order, — care and main-

tenance of
indigent and
neglected
children.

indigent and neglected children (Senate, No. 250) was improperly in the orders of the day, for the reason that it involved the expenditure of public money and should have been referred, under House Rule 44, to the committee on Ways and Means. The Speaker declared the point of order well taken, and the bill was, accordingly, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To regulate the discharge of convicts committed to prison and other place of confinement for non-payment of fine or fine and costs ;

To authorize the trustees under the will of James M. Wood to convey an estate to the Lawrence Home for Aged People ;

To extend the time within which the Marlborough and Westborough Street Railway Company may construct and operate its railway ;

To limit the time within which the Boston and Albany Railroad Company may take certain lands in Boston under the act incorporating the Boston Terminal Company ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Relative to domestic and foreign mutual assessment life insurance corporations (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves :

Relative to the tabulation of statistics of parent nativity in the city of Boston ;

In favor of the town of Rutland ; and

In favor of John S. Gillis ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

Labor, — con-
tract system on
public works.

On motions of Mr. Donahue of Fall River, the Bill to abolish the contract system on public works (House, No. 337) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and recommitted to the committee on Labor, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by that committee.

On motions of Mr. Bresnahan of Boston, the Bill relative to fraternal military organizations (House, No. 755) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and recommitted to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by that committee.

Fraternal military organizations.

Severally sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the 5th joint rule.

On motion of Mr. Ames of Lowell, the Bill to authorize the replacing of street-car tracks on Boylston and Tremont streets in the city of Boston (House, No. 1002) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Monday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman.

City of Boston, — street-car tracks on Boylston and Tremont streets.

On motions of Mr. Willard of Chelsea, the Bill relative to charges and service of companies engaged in telephone business in this Commonwealth (House, No. 134) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Telephone companies, — charges and service.

On motions of Mr. Mills of Newburyport, the reports :
Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 254) of Charles P. Mills for legislation to abolish the Massachusetts Highway Commission and to transfer its duties to the county commissioners and a State engineer ; and

Massachusetts Highway Commission, — abolition and transfer of duties.

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 255) of Charles P. Mills for legislation relative to the apportionment of money expended by the Massachusetts Highway Commission ;

Massachusetts Highway Commission, — apportionment of expenditures.

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and postponed for consideration until Thursday, April 6, to be placed first and second in the orders of the day, respectively.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the day.

Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 74) of D. A. Horton and others for legislation better to provide for the executive work of the State Dairy Bureau and for the compensation of its executive officer ;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game (Pub. Doc. No. 25) ;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 111) of C. F. King and others for amendment of the law relative to small loans and the redemption of the security therefor ;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 25) of John F. Wood relating to the selling of articles in the streets and from house to house in the city of Boston ; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 352) of John F. Wood and others for legislation relative to the sale of articles in the streets and public ways and from house to house in this Commonwealth ;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, Senate, No. 120) of Fred R. Slater that he may be compensated for the destruction of certain buildings in the town of Swampscott by order of the Metropolitan Park Commission ;

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 130) of Henry C. Whitney for a law to ensure protection to religious sects in their religious observances ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the forty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital (Pub. Doc. No. 22) ;

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate,

No. 165) of J. C. Bennett and others for legislation relative to the width of tires; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 166) of Joseph J. Feely for legislation authorizing street railway companies to purchase private property for the purpose of straightening their roadbeds;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Resolve to provide for an amendment to the Constitution relating to the right of qualified voters to approve or reject laws (House, No. 743) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Constitutional Amendments, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Resolutions relative to an amendment of the National Constitution enabling Congress to regulate the hours of labor (House, No. 622) were rejected, as recommended by the committee on Federal Relations, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill making eight hours, or less, a day's work for State, county, city and town employees (House, No. 201) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Labor, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to lands and buildings under the control of the park commissioners of the city of Boston (House, No. 762) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to prohibit corporations from requiring bonds of their employees in certain cases (House, No. 455) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Probate and Insolvency, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to small loans and the redemption of the security therefor (House, No. 541) was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Resolve relative to a high-level sewer connecting the city of Worcester with the metropolitan sewerage system (House, No. 382) was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Drainage, sitting jointly, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

Relative to the allowance to be paid to the widow and children of a deceased person in certain cases (House, No. 85) ;

To provide for a uniform rate of wages and hours of labor for mechanics and laborers on public works (House, No. 93) ;

To incorporate the Sutton Home for Aged Women in Peabody (House, No. 902) ;

Relative to granting locations to street railway companies (House, No. 986) ;

To authorize the Norfolk Central Street Railway Company to act as a common carrier of small parcels of merchandise and baggage (House, No. 994) ;

To authorize the Norfolk Western Street Railway Company to act as a common carrier of small parcels of merchandise, baggage and the United States mail (House, No. 995) ;

Relative to the house of correction in Suffolk County (House, No. 997) ;

To regulate the use and provide for the inspection of electric meters (House, No. 998) ;

Relative to water courses and drains in the city of Marlborough (House, No. 1014) ; and

Relative to the sale of ice (Senate, No. 60) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide a penalty for trespassing upon bicycle paths (House, No. 978) was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relative to the licensing of lunch wagons (House, No. 945) ;

Relative to the salaries of, and the use of carriages by, members of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston (House, No. 980) ;

To make eight hours a day's work for city and town employees (House, No. 984) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

To establish the salary of the clerk of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex (House, No. 999) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to prevent coercion of employees (House, No. 565) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, striking out section 6.

The amendment was adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize clerks of police, municipal and district courts to approve bastardy bonds (House, No. 699) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, adding a new section, as follows: "*Section 2.* This act shall take effect upon its passage."

The amendment was adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to commitments to the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates (House, No. 763) was amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 1017), which was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Street Railway Mutual Insurance Company (House, No. 976), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, the House refused to order it to a third reading, by a vote of 36 to 75.

The Bill relative to Malden Bridge, so called, in the city of Boston (House, No. 936) was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston moved to amend as follows:—

In section 2, by striking out the word "sixty," in line 2, and inserting in place thereof the word "fifty;" and

By striking out section 3 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "*Section 3.* The cost of constructing said bridge shall be paid by the city of Boston, and said city may use therefor the loan appropriation of fifty thousand dollars for widening and reconstructing said bridge, recently made by the board of estimate and apportionment of said city, and any other sum that may be appropriated therefor."

After debate the amendment to section 2 was rejected, by a vote of 23 to 79.

The amendment to section 3 was also rejected.

On the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Fitzgerald, and the roll being called the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The vote was 152 yeas to 36 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ames, Butler

Apsey, Albert S.
Balcom, George
Bartlett, Edwin
Battles, David W.
Bennett, Frank P.
Bleiler, John
Blood, Charles H.
Bresnahan, Hugh W.
Briggs, Clarence A.
Brigham, William M.
Brooks, Charles C.
Brown, Henry L.
Brown, Willard M.
Burrington, Lester L.
Campbell, Andrew
Carleton, George H.
Chandler, Leonard B.
Chase, Henry L.
Clerke, Charles S.
Cluer, Arthur H.
Cole, Samuel
Coolidge, Daniel S.
Corey, Charles V.
Crosby, Aaron S.
Crosby, Alfred R.
Crosby, J. Howell
Crouch, Charles S.
Cullinane, Richard
Dalton, J. Frank
Davis, William R.
Dean, Benjamin C.
Dean, Charles A.
Dean, George Z.
Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
Donahue, Thomas
Donovan, Edward J.
Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d

Messrs. Dudley, George J.

Dumond, John B.
Eddy, Curtis
Ellsworth, J. Lewis
Estes, Eugene B.
Farwell, Frederick W.
Feiker, William H.
Fisher, George E.
Folsom, Albert T.
Francis, Frank W.
Gilpatric, Fred C.
Goulding, Albert M.
Green, Thomas H.
Grimes, James W.
Hagberg, John G.
Hancock, Portus B.
Harlow, Franklin P.
Harvell, Elisha T.
Harvie, Robert B.
Harwood, Herbert J.
Hayes, William H. I.
Heath, Guilford P.
Henderson, Francis D.
Hooper, Franklin K.
Hopewell, William
Horton, Henry T.
Howland, Charles W.
Howland, Willard
Hunt, James
Huntress, Franklin E.
Jones, Michael B.
Kavenaugh, John E.
Keith, Charles P.
Keyou, Nicholas B.
King, Randolph V.
Kyle, William S.
Learoyd, Addison P.
Leslie, George F.

Messrs.Litchfield, James A.
 Litchfield, William C.
 Lockhart, Alexander
 Lomasney, Martin M.
 Lombard, Edward M.
 Love, Joseph P.
 Lowe, John H.
 Luce, Robert
 Mahony, Frederick C.
 Marchant, Charles S.
 Marden, William H.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
 McLoughlin, William I.
 Mead, Edward C.
 Miller, Calvin S.
 Minihan, Cornelius
 Morse, Merrick A.
 Munroe, John P.
 Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
 Myers, James J.
 Neal, David
 Newton, H. Huestis
 Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.
 Odlin, William
 Paton, Alexander S.
 Porter, Thomas F.
 Powers, John A.
 Puffer, Herbert C.
 Quigley, William J.
 Ramsdell, Charles H.
 Reed, Silas D.
 Robinson, Lewis D.
 Root, Albert B.
 Ross, Leonard W.
 Rounseville, Albert
 Russell, Arthur P.
 Salter, William R.
 Sands, Edward P.

Messrs.Scates, Louis M.
 Schofield, William
 Selfridge, George S.
 Severance, Joseph C.
 Shaw, Nathan W.
 Sheppard, Eben W.
 Simmons, Arthur A.
 Sisson, Robert S.
 Skillings, William E.
 Skinner, Henry R.
 Smith, Allen F.
 Smith, Charles F. A.
 Smith, Charles G.
 Spooner, Wallace
 Sprague, Eugene H.
 Stalker, Hugh L.
 Stanley, Benjamin F.
 Stone, Silas A.
 Stone, Willmore B.
 Swift, William S.
 Tolman, William
 Toomey, John J.
 Trow, Charles E.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Turtle, William
 Twombly, Horatio F.
 Twomey, Edmund J.
 Upson, Charles H.
 Varney, George E.
 Wallace, S. Ives
 Wentworth, Edward E.
 Weston, Walter S.
 Whelan, John B.
 Whipple, John J.
 White, Horace C.
 Willard, Edward E.
 Williams, George F.
 Wood, Alva S.

NAYS.

Messrs.Bridgeo, William
 Bugbee, Nelson A.
 Daly, William
 Davenport, William A.
 Dillon, Thomas J.
 Donovan, Eugene E.
 Donovan, James H.
 Dooling, Thomas J.
 Douglass, John J.

Messrs.Drake, Frederic P.
 Dyer, George N.
 Fitzgerald, William T. A.
 Flanagan, John J.
 Foster, Frank A.
 Gartland, John J., Jr.
 Grant, Oliver S.
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Kane, Daniel J.

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Messrs. Kells, William, Jr.	Messrs. Mellen, James H.
King, Charles F.	Miller, Charles H.
Lanergan, John P.	Miller, William J.
Leland, Francis	Minton, John M.
Mahoney, David A.	Morrison, Andrew H.
Mansfield, Matthew M.	Ross, Samuel
Marchesseault, Eugene D.	Sullivan, Michael J.
McCarthy, Jeremiah F.	Sullivan, Timothy F.
McIsaac, Daniel V.	Toland, John I.

152 yeas ; 36 nays.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Monday last, adopted the order directing the Commissioners of Prisons to report to the Legislature the different salaries paid to officers employed in the county prisons in the Commonwealth, prevailed.

Pending the recurring question on the adoption of the order, it was withdrawn by Mr. Fitts of Somerville, there being no objection.

The Bill to regulate the privileges of persons demanding interviews with employees (House, No. 371) was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Ross of New Bedford, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Labor.

The Bill relative to the rate of excise to be assessed upon and the revocation of locations of street railway companies (House, No. 759) was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Dean of Wakefield, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Street Railways.

The Bill relative to grade crossings in the city of Haverhill (Senate, No. 236) was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Carleton of Haverhill.

The Bill to authorize street railway companies to carry mail and express matter (House, No. 443) was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Paton of Leominster, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Street Railways.

The Bill to establish the session of the Superior Court for the county of Barnstable (House, No. 821) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Davenport of Greenfield moved to amend section 1 by inserting before the word "Tuesday," in line 4, the word "first;" and by striking out, in the same line, the words "after the first Monday."

The amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the use of streets by corporations (Senate, No. 200) was read a second time and considered, and after debate, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

At thirteen minutes past four o'clock, on motion of Mr. Munroe of Worcester, by a vote of 87 to 25, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 30, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

Town of
Leominster, —
water for the
inhabitants of
Lunenburg.

By Mr. Litchfield of Lunenburg, a Bill to authorize the town of Leominster to supply the inhabitants of the town of Lunenburg with water. The bill having been read, Mr. Litchfield moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

City of Boston,
— height of
buildings on
Beacon Hill.

By Mr. Puffer of Springfield, petition of Edwin F. Lyford and others in aid of the petition for legislation to limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston. To the committee on Cities.

Nantasket
Beach, — public
reservation.

By Mr. Donovan of Taunton, petitions of John A. Andrews, Edwin T. Grant and others and George E. Crosby and Company, Charles H. Cummings and others; by Mr. Haskins of Rockport, petitions of Leander Beal, Charles G. Thompson and others and Charles H. Breck, Stephen A. Pope and others; by Mr. Leland of Templeton, petitions of Andrew Dutton, George F. Steele and others and Henry M. Upham, Asa P. French and others; and by Mr. Turner of Malden, petitions of Charles Edward Tolman, William T. Crowell and others and George H. Burt and Company, the Weymouth Shoe Company and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
certain records.

By Mr. Marden of Stoneham, petitions of Charles K. Greer and others, Franklin Sargent and others and Eldridge F. Small and others, — severally, in aid of the

petition for legislation to provide for a record of the Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the war of the rebellion.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Moore of West Stockbridge, petition of George W. Wheeler and others for legislation to ratify and confirm the proceedings of a recent meeting of the town of Becket. Mr. Stone of Springfield moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Town of Becket, — confirmation of proceedings.

Papers from the Senate.

The following orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Agriculture shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 5.

Committee on Agriculture, — reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Education shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 5.

Committee on Education, — reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Election Laws shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 5.

Committee on Election Laws, — reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the joint committee on the Judiciary and the committee on Libraries, sitting jointly, shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 5.

Joint committee on the Judiciary and committee on Libraries, — reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Water Supply shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 12.

Committee on Water supply, — reports.

A report of the committee on Labor, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 127) of John F. O'Sullivan that the hours of labor of women and minors may be limited to fifty-four hours a week in mer-

Labor, — women and minors.

cantile and mechanical establishments, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Sewer
connections.

A Bill relative to making connections of estates with sewers (Senate, No. 252) (new draft of a bill, House, No. 207, passed to be enacted by the House), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Police court
of Brockton, —
salary of justice.

A Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of the city of Brockton (Senate, No. 261) (substituted for a report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Counties on the part of the House.

Reports of Committees.

Human life, —
protection in
fire or panic.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for the better protection of human life in case of fire or panic. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill (House, No. 1031) was referred to the committee on Cities.

Supreme
Judicial Court,
— appeals from
probate courts.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of Richard W. Shea for legislation to regulate procedure in taxation of costs in cases and expenses appealed from probate courts to the Supreme Judicial Court. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1032) was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Town of Lake-
ville, — confir-
mation of vote
at annual town
meeting.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Lakeville for legislation to confirm the vote of said town, cast at the annual town meeting in March of the present year, upon the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Saunders, the 12th joint rule was sus-

pended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1033) was referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be not suspended on the Resolutions relative to the national administration. National administration.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the same committee, that the 12th joint rule be not suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize the Old Colony Commission to expend a further sum of money. Old Colony Commission.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the 12th joint rule be not suspended on the petition of the selectmen and clerk of the town of Swansea for legislation to protect the growth and cultivation of clams on the shores and flats of said town. Town of Swansea, — clams.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, from the same committee, that the 12th joint rule be not suspended on the Resolve (introduced on leave) relative to printing the report of the committee on Labor of the General Court of 1898 upon the subject of the reduction of wages in the cotton mills of the Commonwealth. Labor, — reduction of wages in cotton mills.

By Mr. Estes of Brockton, from the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 501) of Edward G. Knight and others for legislation to provide for the establishment of a board of police for the town of Hull. [Mr. Dumond of Boston, of the House, dissenting.] Town of Hull, — board of police.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 729) of Josiah Quincy for legislation relative to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Boston. City of Boston, — grade crossings.

By Mr. David A. Mahoney of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 819) of the Fitchburg and Suburban Street Railway Company for authority to extend its tracks and to operate freight cars and to act as a common carrier. Fitchburg and Suburban Street Railway Company.

By Mr. Wallace of Clinton, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 822) of the president of the Fitchburg and Leominster Street Railway Company Fitchburg and Leominster Street Railway Company.

for legislation to authorize said company to act as a common carrier of freight and the United States mail.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of
Waltham, —
drains and
water courses.

By Mr. Willard of Chelsea, from the committee on Drainage, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 682), a Bill relative to drains and water courses in the city of Waltham. (House, No. 1029.)

Saint John's
Catholic
Cemetery
Association.

By Mr. Grant of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 778), a Bill relative to the Saint John's Catholic Cemetery Association. (House, No. 1030.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Connecticut
River, — bridge
between Spring-
field and West
Springfield.

By Mr. Dean of Cheshire, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on a petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 343) and on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 612), a Bill to provide for the construction of a new bridge across the Connecticut River between the city of Springfield and the town of West Springfield. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Counties on the part of the House.

Cities of Boston
and Cambridge,
— grade cross-
ings.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 728), a Bill relative to certain grade crossings in the cities of Cambridge and Boston. [Mr. Reed of Taunton, of the House, dissenting.] Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Taken from the Table.

Fisheries, —
menhaden purse
seines.

Mr. Mills of Newburyport moved to take from the table the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on March 23, accepted the report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 689) of Joseph H. Atkins and others for legislation relative to the prevention of the maintenance or operation of menhaden purse seines in the waters of the Commonwealth, which motion, after debate, was adopted.

The House refused to reconsider, and the report was sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Newton of Everett, the report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 360) of the mayor of the city of Lynn for legislation to authorize cities and towns to receive partial payments of taxes on undivided pieces of real estate, was taken from the table and was considered.

Real estate, —
partial pay-
ments of taxes.

After debate, pending the question on the acceptance of the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

Motions to Reconsider.

Mr. Twombly of Framingham moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to incorporate the Street Railway Mutual Insurance Company (House, No. 976), which motion was lost.

Street Railway
Mutual Insur-
ance Company.

Subsequently, there being no objection, Mr. Apsey of Cambridge moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House refused to order the bill to a third reading, which motion, after debate, was adopted.

Pending the recurring question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was recommitted to the committee on Insurance, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, on further motions of Mr. Apsey, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to concur with the Senate in its amendments to the House Bill to prohibit the unauthorized transaction of business under the name of a trust company (House, No. 884).

Trust com-
panies, —
unauthorized
transaction of
business.

After debate the motion to reconsider was laid on the table, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Question of Order.

Mr. Carleton of Haverhill raised the question of order that the Bill to regulate the use and provide for the inspection of electric meters (House, No. 998) was improperly in the orders of the day, for the reason that it involved the expenditure of public money and should have been referred, under House Rule 44, to the committee on Ways and Means. The Speaker declared the point of order well taken, and the bill was, accordingly, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Question of
order, — in-
spection of
electric meters.

*Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.***Bills enacted.**

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the licensing of auctioneers ;

To establish the salary of the assistant clerk of the police court of Lowell ;

To authorize the town of Southbridge to construct and maintain a system of sewerage and sewage disposal ;

To extend the time within which the Pynchon Safe Deposit and Trust Company may organize and begin business ;

Making appropriations for the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Relative to collection agencies (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Plymouth (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

*Discharged from the Orders of the Day.***Lowell Textile School.**

On motion of Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, the Resolve in favor of the Lowell Textile School (House, No. 1028) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was recommitted to the committee on Ways and Means, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Labor, — settlement of disputes.

On motion of Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, the report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 505) of Richard Cullinane for legislation relative to the settlement of disputes between employers and employees, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, it was recommitted, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, on further motions of the same gentleman, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Waltham, Ayer and Pepperell Street Railway Company.

On motions of Mr. Harwood of Littleton, the report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the

next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 416) of Carl Dickinson and others for legislation to incorporate the Waltham, Ayer and Pepperell Street Railway Company, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Davenport of Greenfield, the Bill to establish the District Court of Eastern Franklin (House, No. 1007) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, on further motion of the same gentleman.

District Court
of Eastern
Franklin.

On motions of Mr. Swift of Tisbury, the report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 175) of Charles G. Coffin, 3d, and others for legislation to prevent the use of seines, nets and other devices in the waters of the county of Nantucket, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

County of
Nantucket, —
fisheries.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Counties, no further legislation necessary, on the recommendations and suggestions of the Controller of County Accounts (House, No. 33) ;

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Commissioners of the Massachusetts Nautical Training School (Pub. Doc. No. 42) ;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 470) of Charles P. Mills for legislation relative to the issue of special stock by corporations ; and

Of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted, with accompanying bill, House, No. 190) of the selectmen of the town of Revere for legislation to authorize said town to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of constructing highways ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 152) of Asa P. French for the repeal of the act relative to evidence in actions against the estates of deceased persons ; and

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 137) of Edward W. Thurston and others for legislation relative to the operating of the draw in the bridge across Taunton Great River between Fall River and Somerset ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendment to the House Bill relative to the appointment of assistant watchmen at the State Prison (House, No. 964), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill relative to mortgages of personal property (House, No. 538) was rejected, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to licensing foreign corporations (House, No. 340) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

Relative to the apportionment of the cost of the metropolitan parks and boulevards (House, No. 638) ; and

To secure the referendum for the city of Lynn in relation to the metropolitan park system (House, No. 751) ;

Were severally rejected, as recommended, in each case, by the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to grant to all express companies reasonable and equal terms, facilities and accommodations upon railroads (House, No. 549) was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Railroads, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

To establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the police court of Fitchburg (House, No. 30) ;

Relative to bonds in probate courts signed by surety companies (House, No. 610) ;

Relative to the making of returns of steam boilers (House, No. 1000) ;

To place the Chestnut Hill Reservoir grounds under the custody of the board of park commissioners of the city of Boston (House, No. 1015) ;

To authorize the appointment of a permanent court officer for the probate court of the county of Middlesex (House, No. 1019) ;

To provide for the construction of new buildings at the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics (House, No. 1021) ;

To authorize the town of Grafton to incur certain indebtedness for school purposes beyond the limit fixed by law (Senate, No. 245) ; and

To authorize the town of Wareham to take, improve and use a certain parcel of land for a public park (Senate, No. 251) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of John O'Neil (House, No. 508) ;

To provide for certain improvements at the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics (House, No. 1027) ; and

To provide for certain repairs at the Reformatory Prison for Women (Senate, No. 242) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To establish the session of the Superior Court for the county of Barnstable (House, No. 821) ;

To incorporate the Sutton Home for Aged Women in Peabody (House, No. 902) ; and

Relative to the construction of a boulevard from the Middlesex Fells parkway to the Charles River (House, No. 1012) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide a penalty for trespassing upon bicycle paths (House, No. 978) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, striking out section 4.

The amendment was adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the establishment of vacation schools (Senate, No. 241) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the rights of owners of real estate in the matter of granting of liquor licenses (House, No. 954) was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Odlin of Andover moved to amend section 1 by inserting after the word "bond," in lines 24 and 72, in each case, the words "as provided in chapter one hundred and fifty-four of the Public Statutes."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, the amendments were adopted, by a vote of 78 to 64.

On the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Odlin, and the roll being called the House refused to pass the bill to be engrossed, by a vote of 60 yeas to 70 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ainsworth, Wilfred

Bleiler, John

Boylston, Ward N.

Bresnahan, Hugh W.

Brooks, Charles C.

Brown, Willard M.

Bullock, William J.

Chandler, Leonard B.

Clerke, Charles S.

Crouch, Charles S.

Cullinane, Richard

Daly, William

Davenport, William A.

Donahue, Thomas

Donovan, James H.

Dooling, Thomas J.

Douglass, John J.

Dumond, John B.

Fitzgerald, William T. A.

Foster, Frank A.

Francis, Frank W.

Frost, Archie N.

Gartland, John J., Jr.

Hancock, Portus B.

Hayes, William H. I.

Henderson, Francis D.

Howard, Robert

Kane, Daniel J.

Kavanaugh, John E.

Kells, William, Jr.

Messrs. Keyou, Nicholas B.

King, Charles F.

Lanergan, John P.

Lockhart, Alexander

Mansfield, Matthew M.

McCarthy, Jeremiah F.

McIsaac, Daniel V.

McLoughlin, William I.

Miller, William J.

Minihan, Cornelius

Minton, John M.

Montgomery, James A.

Moore, James S.

Morrison, Andrew H.

Munroe, John P.

Murphy, Mortimer D. A.

Odlin, William

Queeney, James H.

Quigley, William J.

Reed, Silas D.

Ross, Samuel

Scates, Louis M.

Sparks, John T.

Spooner, Wallace

Sullivan, Timothy F.

Toland, John I.

Toomey, John J.

Twomey, Edmund J.

Varney, George E.

Whelan, John B.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.
Ames, Butler
Bennett, Frank P.
Blood, Charles H.
Brigham, William M.
Bugbee, Nelson A.
Burgess, Albert H.
Bushnell, S. Hopkins
Campbell, Andrew
Carleton, George H.
Chadwick, N. Henry
Chase, Henry L.
Cluer, Arthur H.
Conwell, Robert E.
Coolidge, Daniel S.
Crosby, J. Howell
Davis, William R.
Dean, Charles A.
Dean, George Z.
Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
Estes, Eugene B.
Feiker, William H.
Fisher, George E.
Folsom, Albert T.
Goulding, Albert M.
Grimes, James W.
Harlow, Franklin P.
Hawes, Martin E.
Haywood, Charles E.
Heath, Guilford P.
Howland, Willard
Hunt, James
Huntress, Franklin E.
Langford, John T.
Libby, John F.

Messrs. Litchfield, James A.
Lombard, Edward M.
Marchant, Charles S.
Miller, Calvin S.
Miller, Charles H.
Morse, Merrick A.
Myers, James J.
Neal, David
Newton, Phinehas S.
Parker, William C.
Persons, Charles H.
Pike, William T.
Puffer, Herbert C.
Robinson, Lewis D.
Root, Albert B.
Rounseville, Albert
Salter, William R.
Schofield, William
Severance, Joseph C.
Shaw, Nathan W.
Sheppard, Eben W.
Sisson, Robert S.
Skinner, Henry R.
Smith, Allen F.
Smith, Charles G.
Sprague, Eugene H.
Stalker, Hugh L.
Stanley, Benjamin F.
Stone, Silas A.
Swift, William S.
Tatman, Charles T.
Tolman, William
Upson, Charles H.
Wallace, S. Ives
Wells, Abelard E.

60 yeas ; 70 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Mackey, Thomas*
Jones, Michael B.*
Russell, Arthur P.
Burrington, Lester L.

NAYS.

Messrs. Litchfield, William C.
Apsey, Albert S.
Porter, Thomas F.*
Hooper, Franklin K.*

* Present.

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YEAS.

Messrs. Briggs, Clarence A.
 Flanagan, John J.*
 Mahoney, David A.
 Gilpatric, Fred C.*
 Lowe, John H.
 Howland, Charles W.
 King, Randolph V.*
 Dillon, Thomas J.
 Dalton, J. Frank*
 Lomasney, Martin M.
 Paton, Alexander S.
 Hopewell, William*
 Mellen, James H.
 Love, Joseph P.
 Conroy, Thomas A.
 Donovan, Michael J.
 Carey, James F.*
 Gaddis, Michael E.
 Grant, Oliver S.
 Prindle, John F.*
 Mahony, Frederick C.
 Marchesseault, Eugene D.*
 Sullivan, Michael J.
 Green, Thomas H.*
 Stone, Willmore B.*

NAYS.

Messrs. Simmons, Arthur A.*
 Fitts, Frank E.
 Eddy, Curtis*
 Saunders, Charles R.
 Mills, Charles P.*
 Harwood, Herbert J.*
 Selfridge, George S.
 Leland, Francis*
 Luce, Robert
 Smith, Charles F. A.*
 Newton, H. Huestis*
 Johnson, Charles R.
 Battles, David W.*
 Leslie, George F.*
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 Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.
 Donovan, Eugene E.*
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 Seavey, James F.
 Twombly, Horatio F.

* Present.

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At twenty minutes before five o'clock, under the standing order, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 31, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Bills Ordered Printed.

On motion of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, one hundred copies of a Bill relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations were ordered printed for the use of the committee on Insurance. Fraternal beneficiary organizations.

On motion of Mr. Odlin of Andover, one hundred extra copies of the Bill relative to the rights of owners of real estate in the matter of granting of liquor licenses (House, No. 954) were ordered printed. Intoxicating liquors, — rights of real estate owners.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Myers of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That on and after Monday, April 3, the House shall meet at one o'clock P.M., except on Saturdays. Hour of meeting.

Petition and Remonstrance.

Mr. Myers of Cambridge presented a petition of the president of the Hyde Park Historical Society in aid of the Bill to provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws, and the same was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary and sent up for concurrence. Province Laws.

Mr. Sprague of Quincy presented a remonstrance of George W. Nash and other wheelmen of Wollaston against the passage of the Bill to authorize the replacing of street-car tracks on Boylston and Tremont streets in the city of Boston, and the same was placed on file. City of Boston, — tracks on Boylston and Tremont streets.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Resolve directing the Board of Railroad Commissioners to investigate and report upon the rates charged by railroads within the Commonwealth for the Board of Railroad Commissioners, — transportation of passengers,

bicycles and
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— charter.

The engrossed Bill to amend the charter of the city of Chelsea (House, No. 896), passed to be enacted by the House, came down recommitted to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule. The House concurred in the suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly. Rule 15 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Howland of Chelsea.

Reports of Committees.

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address, —
municipal
legislation;
construction of
buildings in
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By Mr. Donovan of Taunton, from the committee on Cities, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address (Senate, No. 1) as relates to municipal legislation and to the regulation of the construction of buildings in cities. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Cities, —
watering of
streets.

By Mr. Puffer of Springfield, from the committee on Cities, that the Bill (recommitted) relative to the watering of streets in cities (House, No. 420) ought not to pass.

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By Mr. Dalton of Salem, from the committee on Insurance, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to life insurance policies in prudential and industrial companies (House, No. 288) ought not to pass.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

Marine Park
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pany.

By Mr. Miller of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to incorporate the Marine Park Tower Company (House, No. 754) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 1040.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

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labor on waste
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By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve relative to reclaiming

and improving waste and unused land with the labor of prisoners from jails and houses of correction ought to pass.

(House, No. 1042.)

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide for repairs at the Massachusetts Reformatory (Senate, No. 254) ought to pass.

Massachusetts Reformatory, — repairs.

By Mr. Paton of Leominster, from the same committee, that the Resolve relative to summer institutes for teachers ought to pass. (House, No. 1043.)

Teachers, — summer institutes.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the same committee, that the Bill relative to the crossings of railroads and public ways in East Boston ought to pass. (House, No. 1037.)

City of Boston, — grade crossings in East Boston.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill relative to the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons ought to pass. (House, No. 1039.)

Commissioners of Prisons, — annual report.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the same committee, that the Bill to establish the salary of the assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Worcester (Senate, No. 210) ought to pass.

County of Worcester, — salary of assistant register of probate and insolvency.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide for printing twelve thousand copies of the Blue Book of 1899 ought to pass. (House, No. 1041.)

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By Mr. Cole of Beverly, from the same committee, that the Bill relative to fines and forfeitures under the laws protecting fish and game ought to pass. (House, No. 1036.)

Fish and game laws, — fines and forfeitures.

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Gas and gas meters, — inspection.

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide for equipping the Worcester Insane Asylum with a system of electric lighting (printed as Senate, No. 63) ought to pass.

Worcester Insane Asylum, — electric lighting.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Resolve relative to the industries at the Massachusetts Reformatory (Senate, No. 255) ought to pass.

Massachusetts Reformatory, — industries.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Swift of Tisbury, the Bill relative to contracts for the conditional sale of personal property

Personal property, — conditional sale.

(House, No. 756) was taken from the table and was rejected, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Reconsideration.

Intoxicating
liquors,—Rights
of real estate
owners.

Mr. Odlin of Andover moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to pass to be engrossed the Bill relative to the rights of owners of real estate in the matter of granting of liquor licenses (House, No. 954), which motion, after debate, was adopted, by a vote of 86 to 35.

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was recommitted to the committee on the Liquor Law, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, on further motions of the same gentleman, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders of the Day.

Constitutional
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verdicts by
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Mr. Johnson of Worcester moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Resolve to provide for an amendment to the Constitution authorizing verdicts in trials by jury in civil causes upon the agreement of a less number than the whole number of the jurors (House, No. 769), which motion was lost.

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On motions of Mr. Ames of Lowell, the report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 102) of Richard Cullinane and Freeman O. Emerson and others for legislation to require street railway companies to enclose the platforms of their cars during certain months of the year, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, by a vote of 81 to 14, and laid on the table.

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Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 397) of Walter L. Sears for legislation to authorize the establishment and maintenance of free employment offices by the Commonwealth;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

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The Bill to authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to make provision for musical entertainments in the reservations under their charge (House, No. 752) was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to establish and maintain free employment offices in the cities of the Commonwealth (House, No. 618) was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Probate and Insolvency, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize the Old Colony Commission to expend a further sum of money ;

The Resolutions relative to the national administration ; and

The petition of the selectmen and clerk of the town of Swansea for legislation to protect the growth and cultivation of clams on the shores and flats of said town ;

Were severally referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House refusing, in each case, to suspend the rule.

Bills :

Relative to the duties of judges of probate and insolvency (House, No. 1020) ;

Relative to drains and water courses in the city of Waltham (House, No. 1029) ;

Relative to the Saint John's Catholic Cemetery Association (House, No. 1030) ;

To authorize the Brockton, Bridgewater and Taunton Street Railway Company to carry fuel and supplies for its own use (Senate, No. 232) ;

To authorize the Providence and Taunton Street Railway Company to carry fuel and supplies for its own use (Senate, No. 233) ; and

Relative to the investments of savings banks and institutions for savings (Senate, No. 259) ; and

The Resolve to provide for the renewal of an existing contract with the firm of Little, Brown and Company (House, No. 746) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the use of streets by corporations (Senate, No. 200) was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the police court of Fitchburg (House, No. 30) ;

Relative to the allowance to be paid to the widow and children of a deceased person in certain cases (House, No. 85) ;

Relative to bonds in probate courts signed by surety companies (House, No. 610) ;

To authorize the Norfolk Central Street Railway Company to act as a common carrier of small parcels of merchandise and baggage (House, No. 994) ;

Relative to the system of playgrounds for the city of Boston (House, No. 996) ;

Relative to the house of correction in Suffolk County (House, No. 997) ;

Relative to the making of returns of steam boilers (House, No. 1000) ;

To place the Chestnut Hill Reservoir grounds under the custody of the board of park commissioners of the city of Boston (House, No. 1015) ; and

To provide for the construction of new buildings at the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics (House, No. 1021) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of John O'Neil (House, No. 508) ; and

To provide for certain improvements at the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics (House, No. 1027) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the building of a drain by the city of Somerville (House, No. 989) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 1035), which was read and substituted, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide for a normal school building in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 108) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

The Resolve to provide for certain repairs at the Reformatory Prison for Women (Senate, No. 242) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the rate of excise to be assessed upon and the revocation of locations of street railway companies (House, No. 759), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on mo-

tion of Mr. Blood of Fitchburg, the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Street Railways, was negatived, by a vote of 48 to 66, and it was placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

The Bill relative to grade crossings in the city of Haverhill (Senate, No. 236) was considered, and after debate, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, Mr. Driscoll of Chicopee moved that the House adjourn, which motion was lost, by a vote of 25 to 50.

Mr. Driscoll raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 100 members were present.

On motion of Mr. Ames of Lowell, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

On the appearance of a quorum the motion was again put, and the House refused to adjourn.

The previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Myers of Cambridge, and the bill was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 81 to 13.

The Resolve to provide for an amendment to the Constitution authorizing verdicts in trials by jury in civil causes upon the agreement of a less number than the whole number of the jurors (House, No. 769) was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Monday, on motion of Mr. McLoughlin of Worcester.

The Bill to require railroad companies to equip their cars with platform gates (House, No. 649) was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Reed of Taunton, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Railroads.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 672) of J. C. Crombie for legislation relative to the powers of the school committee of the city of Lawrence, was taken up.

Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, Mr. Jeremiah F. McCarthy of Boston moved that the House adjourn, which motion was lost, by a vote of 34 to 63.

Mr. Saunders of Boston raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 118 members were present.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lowell, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

Subsequently, Mr. Myers of Cambridge asked for a count of the House to ascertain if a quorum was present. A count showed that 120 members were present.

Mr. Hayes moved that the Clerk call the roll of the House, which motion was adopted, by a vote of 68 to 28.

The roll was called and 119 members answered to their names, as follows: —

Messrs. Ames, Butler

Balcom, George
Bartlett, Edwin
Bates, John L.
Battles, David W.
Bennett, Frank P.
Blood, Charles H.
Bresnahan, Hugh W.
Bridgeo, William
Brigham, William M.
Brown, Henry L.
Burgess, Albert H.
Bushnell, S. Hopkins
Carleton, George H.
Chadwick, N. Henry
Chase, Henry L.
Clerke, Charles S.
Crosby, Alfred R.
Crosby, J. Howell
Cullinane, Richard
Dalton, J. Frank
Daly, William
Davis, Daniel W.
Davis, William R.
Dean, Benjamin C.
Dean, Charles A.
Dean, George Z.
Donahue, Thomas
Donovan, Eugene E.
Donovan, James H.
Drake, Frederic P.
Dumond, John B.
Eddy, Curtis
Estes, Eugene B.
Farwell, Frederick W.
Fitzgerald, William T. A.
Francis, Frank W.
Frost, Archie N.

Messrs. Gilpatric, Fred C.

Grimes, James W.
Hancock, Portus B.
Harvell, Elisha T.
Harwood, Herbert J.
Haskins, Leander M.
Hayes, William H. I.
Haywood, Charles E.
Heath, Guilford P.
Henderson, Francis D.
Hooper, Franklin K.
Howard, Robert
Howland, Willard
Kane, Daniel J.
Keith, Charles P.
Kells, William, Jr.
King, Charles F.
Kyle, William S.
Lanergan, John P.
Langford, John T.
Learoyd, Addison P.
Leland, Francis
Litchfield, James A.
Lowe, John H.
Luce, Robert
Mahony, Frederick C.
Marchant, Charles S.
Marchesseault, Eugene D.
Marden, William H.
McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
McIsaac, Daniel V.
McLoughlin, William I.
Miller, Charles H.
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Montgomery, James A.

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Messrs. Munroe, John P.	Messrs. Sheppard, Eben W.
Murphy, Mortimer D. A.	Simmons, Arthur A.
Myers, James J.	Smith, Allen F.
Neal, David	Smith, Charles F. A.
Pike, William T.	Sprague, Eugene H.
Porter, Thomas F.	Stalker, Hugh L.
Queeney, James H.	Stanley, Benjamin F.
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Ramsdell, Charles H.	Sullivan, Michael J.
Ray, Albert H.	Swift, William S.
Reed, Silas D.	Toland, John I.
Root, Albert B.	Toomey, John J.
Ross, Leonard W.	Trow, Charles E.
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Rounseville, Albert	Twombly, Horatio F.
Salter, William R.	Varney, George E.
Sands, Edward P.	Wallace, S. Ives
Saunders, Charles R.	Watson, Walter S.
Scates, Louis M.	Weston, Walter S.
Schofield, William	Whelan, John B.
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On motion of Mr. Trow of Salem, at ten minutes past four o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, April 3, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by Reverend William C. Litchfield of Middleborough, a member of the House.

Expenses of Committees.

A communication was received from the Sergeant-at-Arms, in accordance with Joint Rule 3, submitting a statement of the expenses of committees for the month ending March 31, 1899, as furnished by the Auditor of Accounts. (House, No. 1047.) Read and sent to the Senate.

Sergeant-at-Arms, — expenses of committees.

Petition.

Mr. Brigham of Marlborough presented a petition of Hattie M. Manning and others in aid of the petition for legislation to limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston, and the same was referred to the committee on Cities and sent up for concurrence.

City of Boston, — height of buildings on Beacon Hill.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Harbors and Public Lands shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 12.

Committee on Harbors and Public Lands, — reports.

Reports :

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 117) of John F. O'Sullivan for legislation to prohibit the employment of children under eighteen years of age and of women in places where intoxicating liquors are sold or prepared for sale [Mr. Ross of New Bedford, of the House, dissenting] ;

Labor, — women and children.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 123) of Edward I. Aldrich and others for legislation to provide for grammar and primary schoolhouses in the city of Boston ;

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The Bill relative to studies in the public schools (House, No. 817) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Education, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to prohibit the employment of women and minors in manufacturing establishments between the hours of six o'clock at night and six o'clock in the morning (House, No. 172) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Labor, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to make provision for musical entertainments in the reservations under their charge (House, No. 752) was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to establish and maintain free employment offices in the cities of the Commonwealth (House, No. 618) was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Probate and Insolvency, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize the Old Colony Commission to expend a further sum of money ;

The Resolutions relative to the national administration ; and

The petition of the selectmen and clerk of the town of Swansea for legislation to protect the growth and cultivation of clams on the shores and flats of said town ;

Were severally referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House refusing, in each case, to suspend the rule.

Bills :

Relative to the duties of judges of probate and insolvency (House, No. 1020) ;

Relative to drains and water courses in the city of Waltham (House, No. 1029) ;

Relative to the Saint John's Catholic Cemetery Association (House, No. 1030) ;

To authorize the Brockton, Bridgewater and Taunton Street Railway Company to carry fuel and supplies for its own use (Senate, No. 232) ;

To authorize the Providence and Taunton Street Railway Company to carry fuel and supplies for its own use (Senate, No. 233) ; and

Relative to the investments of savings banks and institutions for savings (Senate, No. 259) ; and

The Resolve to provide for the renewal of an existing contract with the firm of Little, Brown and Company (House, No. 746) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the use of streets by corporations (Senate, No. 200) was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the police court of Fitchburg (House, No. 30) ;

Relative to the allowance to be paid to the widow and children of a deceased person in certain cases (House, No. 85) ;

Relative to bonds in probate courts signed by surety companies (House, No. 610) ;

To authorize the Norfolk Central Street Railway Company to act as a common carrier of small parcels of merchandise and baggage (House, No. 994) ;

Relative to the system of playgrounds for the city of Boston (House, No. 996) ;

Relative to the house of correction in Suffolk County (House, No. 997) ;

Relative to the making of returns of steam boilers (House, No. 1000) ;

To place the Chestnut Hill Reservoir grounds under the custody of the board of park commissioners of the city of Boston (House, No. 1015) ; and

To provide for the construction of new buildings at the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics (House, No. 1021) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of John O'Neil (House, No. 508) ; and

To provide for certain improvements at the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics (House, No. 1027) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the building of a drain by the city of Somerville (House, No. 989) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 1035), which was read and substituted, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide for a normal school building in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 108) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

The Resolve to provide for certain repairs at the Reformatory Prison for Women (Senate, No. 242) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the rate of excise to be assessed upon and the revocation of locations of street railway companies (House, No. 759), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on mo-

tion of Mr. Blood of Fitchburg, the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Street Railways, was negatived, by a vote of 48 to 66, and it was placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

The Bill relative to grade crossings in the city of Haverhill (Senate, No. 236) was considered, and after debate, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, Mr. Driscoll of Chicopee moved that the House adjourn, which motion was lost, by a vote of 25 to 50.

Mr. Driscoll raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 100 members were present.

On motion of Mr. Ames of Lowell, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

On the appearance of a quorum the motion was again put, and the House refused to adjourn.

The previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Myers of Cambridge, and the bill was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 81 to 13.

The Resolve to provide for an amendment to the Constitution authorizing verdicts in trials by jury in civil causes upon the agreement of a less number than the whole number of the jurors (House, No. 769) was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Monday, on motion of Mr. McLoughlin of Worcester.

The Bill to require railroad companies to equip their cars with platform gates (House, No. 649) was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Reed of Taunton, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Railroads.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 672) of J. C. Crombie for legislation relative to the powers of the school committee of the city of Lawrence, was taken up.

Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, Mr. Jeremiah F. McCarthy of Boston moved that the House adjourn, which motion was lost, by a vote of 34 to 63.

Mr. Saunders of Boston raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 118 members were present.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lowell, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

Subsequently, Mr. Myers of Cambridge asked for a count of the House to ascertain if a quorum was present. A count showed that 120 members were present.

Mr. Hayes moved that the Clerk call the roll of the House, which motion was adopted, by a vote of 68 to 28.

The roll was called and 119 members answered to their names, as follows:—

Messrs. Ames, Butler

Balcom, George
Bartlett, Edwin
Bates, John L.
Battles, David W.
Bennett, Frank P.
Blood, Charles H.
Bresnahan, Hugh W.
Bridgeo, William
Brigham, William M.
Brown, Henry L.
Burgess, Albert H.
Bushnell, S. Hopkins
Carleton, George H.
Chadwick, N. Henry
Chase, Henry L.
Clerke, Charles S.
Crosby, Alfred R.
Crosby, J. Howell
Cullinane, Richard
Dalton, J. Frank
Daly, William
Davis, Daniel W.
Davis, William R.
Dean, Benjamin C.
Dean, Charles A.
Dean, George Z.
Donahue, Thomas
Donovan, Eugene E.
Donovan, James H.
Drake, Frederic P.
Dumond, John B.
Eddy, Curtis
Estes, Eugene B.
Farwell, Frederick W.
Fitzgerald, William T. A.
Francis, Frank W.
Frost, Archie N.

Messrs. Gilpatric, Fred C.

Grimes, James W.
Hancock, Portus B.
Harvell, Elisha T.
Harwood, Herbert J.
Haskins, Leander M.
Hayes, William H. I.
Haywood, Charles E.
Heath, Guilford P.
Henderson, Francis D.
Hooper, Franklin K.
Howard, Robert
Howland, Willard
Kane, Daniel J.
Keith, Charles P.
Kells, William, Jr.
King, Charles F.
Kyle, William S.
Lanergan, John P.
Langford, John T.
Learoyd, Addison P.
Leland, Francis
Litchfield, James A.
Lowe, John H.
Luce, Robert
Mahony, Frederick C.
Marchant, Charles S.
Marchesseault, Eugene D.
Marden, William H.
McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
McIsaac, Daniel V.
McLoughlin, William I.
Miller, Charles H.
Mills, Charles P.
Minihan, Cornelius
Minton, John M.
Montgomery, James A.

W. Richardson and others, Albert Beal and another for the Methodist Episcopal Church of Conway, J. P. Bowen and others, J. W. Lane and others, William L. Munsie and others, A. E. Thomas and others, O. W. Scott and another for a meeting of citizens of Brockton, B. A. Robie and another for the West Congregational Church of Grafton, H. E. Thompson and another for the Advent Christian Church of Fall River, and George Jeffers for the Clarendon Congregational Church of Hyde Park, — severally, for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Public schools,
— studies;
physiology
and hygiene.

Remonstrances of W. O. Conrad and others and Albert G. Upham and another for the Stoughton Street Baptist Church of Dorchester, — severally, against the passage of the Bill relative to studies in the public schools (House, No. 817), and petitions of the same for the passage of Senate Bill No. 41, accompanying the petition of Charles L. Morgan and Mary H. Hunt for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Nantasket
Beach, — public
reservation.

Petitions of U. S. Bates, Albert Gordon and others, C. H. Goodhead Company, H. E. Roscoe and Company and others, R. A. Flanders, Hinckley Brothers and Company and others, Howard W. Spurr, George H. Leonard and Company and others, William H. Claffin and Company, Hersey, Damon and Sprague and others, Charles E. Lauriat, Charles Pollock and others, Henry L. Lovell, Reuben L. Richardson and others and Clapp and Tilton, N. E. Hollis and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Citizens' Elec-
tric Street Rail-
way Company.

A petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 275) of Edward P. Shaw and others, purchasers and grantees of the purchasers of the franchise and property of the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company, that they may be incorporated under the name of the Citizens' Electric Street Railway Company, referred by the Senate, under a suspension of the 12th and 9th joint rules, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Rounseville of Rochester, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 730), a Bill relative to the Northfield Bridge over the Connecticut River in the town of Northfield. (House, No. 1051.)

Connecticut River, — Northfield Bridge.

By Mr. Eddy of West Bridgewater, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Wellesley to incur indebtedness for park purposes. (House, No. 973.)

Town of Wellesley, — indebtedness for park purposes.

By Mr. Litchfield of Middleborough, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize the town of Melrose to appropriate a sum of money for celebrating the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the town of Malden (House, No. 974) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 1052.)

Town of Melrose, — 250th anniversary of the town of Malden.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Henderson of Rowley, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on March 29, refused to concur with the Senate in its amendments to the House Bill to prohibit the unauthorized transaction of business under the name of a trust company (House, No. 884) was taken from the table, and after debate was lost.

Trust companies, — unauthorized transaction of business.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Giving the Superior Court jurisdiction for preventing unlawful blasting ;

Bills enacted.

Relative to the expenses incurred under the act to provide for a system of sewage disposal for the Neponset River valley ;

To authorize the appointment of special officers for the removal and transfer of prisoners ;

Making an appropriation for current expenses at the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates ;

Relative to the tenure of office of the board of water commissioners in the city of Quincy ;

Relative to the removal of prisoners to the State Farm ;

Relative to the practice of pharmacy ;

Relative to the appointment of assistant watchmen at the State Prison ;

Relative to the sinking fund for the park indebtedness of the city of Malden ;

Relative to the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

To authorize the Essex Institute to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To extend the application of the law relative to the weekly payment of wages ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To provide for a normal school building in the city of Boston ; and

To authorize the establishment of vacation schools ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Resolves
passed.

Granting a county tax for the county of Hampden ; and

Granting a county tax for the county of Bristol ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

Constitutional
amendment, —
verdicts of
juries in civil
causes.

On motions of Mr. Johnson of Worcester, the Resolve to provide for an amendment to the Constitution authorizing verdicts in trials by jury in civil causes upon the agreement of a less number than the whole number of the jurors (House, No. 769) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading.

Labor, —
women and
minors.

On motions of Mr. Donahue of Fall River, the Bill relative to the hours of labor of women and minors (House, No. 167) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Monday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Labor.

Orders of the Day.

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The report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with ac-

companying bill, House, No.-822) of the president of the Fitchburg and Leominster Street Railway Company for legislation to authorize said company to act as a common carrier of freight and the United States mail, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 87) of George P. Lawrence for amendments of the law relative to the jurisdiction of probate courts upon petitions of married women concerning their separate estate and maintenance and the custody and maintenance of minor children ; and

Of the committees on State House and Cities, sitting jointly, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 256) of Joseph W. Smith and Edward A. Horton for the removal of all the buildings belonging to the State between Mount Vernon and Bowdoin streets, on the east side of the State House, also that the buildings between Hancock avenue and Joy street and Mount Vernon and Beacon streets be taken by the State for public park purposes ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the watering of streets in cities (House, No. 420) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Cities, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to charges and service of companies engaged in telegraph business in this Commonwealth (House, No. 221) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Boston to incur indebtedness outside the debt limit for the purpose of continuing the construction of its public parks (House, No. 1013) ;

Relative to fines and forfeitures under the laws protecting fish and game (House, No. 1036) ;

To authorize the city of Everett to incur indebtedness beyond its debt limit for school purposes (House, No. 1045) ; and

To establish the salary of the assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Worcester (Senate, No. 210) ; and

Resolves :

To provide for printing twelve thousand copies of the Blue Book of 1899 (House, No. 1041); and

In favor of the Lowell Textile School (House, No. 1046);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relative to the release of estates of tenancy by curtesy, and rights by statute, by the guardian of an insane married man (House, No. 789);

Relative to water courses and drains in the city of Marlborough (House, No. 1014);

Relative to the establishment of textile schools (House, No. 1023);

Relative to drains and water courses in the city of Waltham (House, No. 1029); and

Relative to the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons (House, No. 1039); and

Resolves :

Relative to summer institutes for teachers (House, No. 1043); and

To provide electric lights for the Worcester Insane Asylum (printed as Senate, No. 63) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to the sale of ice (Senate, No. 60);

To authorize the Brockton, Bridgewater and Taunton Street Railway Company to carry fuel and supplies for its own use (Senate, No. 232);

To authorize the Providence and Taunton Street Railway Company to carry fuel and supplies for its own use (Senate, No. 233); and

To provide that reports shall be made to the State Board of Charity by certain charitable corporations (Senate, No. 249) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Resolves :

To provide for repairs at the Massachusetts Reformatory (Senate, No. 254); and

Relative to the industries at the Massachusetts Reformatory (Senate, No. 255) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the replacing of street-car tracks on Boylston and Tremont streets in the city of Boston (House, No. 1002), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Cambridge, it was voted that speeches be limited to ten minutes each.

Mr. Saunders of Boston moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court.

After debate the House refused to refer the bill to the next General Court, by a vote of 71 to 115.

On the question on ordering it to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Saunders, and the roll being called the bill was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 125 yeas to 83 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles H.	Messrs. Davis, Daniel W.
Ainsworth, Wilfred	Davis, William R.
Ames, Butler	Dean, Benjamin C.
Andrews, David B.	Dean, George Z.
Andrews, Richard F., Jr.	Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
Apsey, Albert S.	Dillon, Thomas J.
Balcom, George	Donahue, Thomas
Bartlett, Edwin	Donovan, Edward J.
Blood, Charles H.	Donovan, James H.
Boylston, Ward N.	Donovan, Michael J.
Bresnahan, Hugh W.	Dooling, Thomas J.
Briggs, Clarence A.	Douglass, John J.
Brigham, William M.	Dumond, John B.
Brooks, Charles C.	Eddy, Curtis
Brown, Henry L.	Estes, Eugene B.
Brown, Willard M.	Farwell, Frederick W.
Bullock, William J.	Favor, John
Burgess, Albert H.	Fitts, Frank E.
Carleton, George H.	Fitzgerald, William T. A.
Chadwick, N. Henry	Flanagan, John J.
Conwell, Robert E.	Folsom, Albert T.
Corey, Charles V.	Foster, Frank A.
Crosby, Aaron S.	Gaddis, Michael E.
Crosby, J. Howell	Gartland, John J., Jr.
Cullinane, Richard	Grant, Oliver S.

Messrs.Green, Thomas H.
 Harlow, Franklin P.
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Harvell, Elisha T.
 Harvie, Robert B.
 Harwood, George F.
 Harwood, Herbert J.
 Hayes, William H. I.
 Haywood, Charles E.
 Henderson, Francis D.
 Howard, Robert
 Howland, Charles W.
 Jones, Michael B.
 Judd, William E.
 Kane, Daniel J.
 Kavenaugh, John E.
 Kells, William, Jr.
 Lanergan, John P.
 Langford, John T.
 Leland, Francis
 Litchfield, James A.
 Litchfield, William C.
 Lomasney, Martin M.
 Luce, Robert
 Mackey, Thomas
 Mahoney, David A.
 Mahony, Frederick C.
 Marchant, Charles S.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
 McIsaac, Daniel V.
 Mead, Edward C.
 Mellen, James H.
 Miller, Charles H.
 Minihan, Cornelius
 Minton, John M.
 Montgomery, James A.
 Morrison, Andrew H.

Messrs.Morse, Merrick A.
 Myers, James J.
 Odlin, William
 Parker, William C.
 Paton, Alexander S.
 Pike, William T.
 Powers, John A.
 Prindle, John F.
 Queeney, James H.
 Ramsdell, Charles H.
 Reed, Silas D.
 Root, Albert B.
 Russell, Arthur P.
 Schofield, William
 Seavey, James F.
 Shaw, Nathan W.
 Skillings, William E.
 Skinner, Henry R.
 Smith, Charles F. A.
 Stalker, Hugh L.
 Stanley, Benjamin F.
 Stewart, Joseph I.
 Stone, Silas A.
 Sullivan, Michael J.
 Swift, William S.
 Toland, John I.
 Tolman, William
 Toomey, John J.
 Trow, Charles E.
 Twombly, Horatio F.
 Twomey, Edmund J.
 Upson, Charles H.
 Watson, Walter S.
 Whall, Harry B.
 Whipple, John J.
 White, Horace C.
 Wood, Alva S.

NAYS.

Messrs.Bennett, Frank P.
 Bleiler, John
 Bridgeo, William
 Bugbee, Nelson A.
 Bushnell, S. Hopkins
 Campbell, Andrew
 Carey, James F.
 Chapple, William D.
 Chase, Henry L.

Messrs.Cole, Samuel
 Conroy, Thomas A.
 Cook, Clifford A.
 Crosby, Alfred R.
 Currier, Guy W.
 Dalton, J. Frank
 Daly, William
 Drake, Frederic P.
 Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d.

Messrs. Dudley, George J.	Messrs. Munroe, John P.
Dyer, George N.	Murphy, Mortimer D.A.
Ellsworth, J. Lewis	Neal, David
Feiker, William H.	Persons, Charles H.
Francis, Frank W.	Porter, Thomas F.
Gilpatric, Fred C.	Puffer, Herbert C.
Goulding, Albert M.	Quigley, William J.
Grimes, James W.	Ray, Albert H.
Hagberg, John G.	Robinson, Lewis D.
Hancock, Portus B.	Salter, William R.
Haskins, Leander M.	Sands, Edward P.
Hawes, Martin E.	Saunders, Charles R.
Heath, Guilford P.	Scates, Louis M.
Horton, Henry T.	Selfridge, George S.
Hunt, James	Severance, Joseph C.
Johnson, Charles R.	Sheppard, Eben W.
Keith, Charles P.	Simmons, Arthur A.
Keyou, Nicholas B.	Smith, Allen F.
King, Charles F.	Smith, Charles G.
King, Randolph V.	Sparks, John T.
Kyle, William S.	Spooner, Wallace
Learoyd, Addison P.	Sprague, Eugene H.
Libby, John F.	Stone, Willmore B.
Lockhart, Alexander	Sullivan, Timothy F.
Lombard, Edward M.	Tatman, Charles T.
Lowe, John H.	Turtle, William
Mansfield, Matthew M.	Varney, George E.
Marchesseault, Eugene D.	Wallace, S. Ives
Marden, William H.	Weston, Walter S.
McLoughlin, William I.	Whelan, John B.
Miller, Calvin S.	Willard, Edward E.
Mills, Charles P.	Williams, George F.
Moore, James S.	

125 yeas ; 88 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Howland, Willard	Messrs. Fisher, George E.*
Leslie, George F.	Cluer, Arthur H.*
Coolidge, Daniel S.	Dean, Charles A.*
Chandler, Leonard B.	Burrington, Lester L.*
Newton, Phinehas S.	Hooper, Franklin K.*
Donovan, Eugene E.*	Wells, Abelard E.
Turner, Henry E.*	Crouch, Charles S.
Love, Joseph P.	Rounseville, Albert*
Ross, Leonard W.*	Wheeler, William D.
Newton, H. Huestis*	Hopewell, William

* Present.

The Bill relative to charges and service of companies engaged in telephone business in this Commonwealth (House, No. 134) was considered, and after debate the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Mercantile Affairs, was negatived, by a vote of 37 to 75, and it was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Mr. Kyle of Plymouth raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 129 members were present.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, at twenty-seven minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 5, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report.

A communication from the Auditor of Accounts, transmitting a supplementary report of expenditures in excess of appropriations incurred by the trustees of the Lyman and Industrial Schools, was received and was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Lyman and Industrial Schools, — expenditures in excess of appropriations.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Crosby of Attleborough, —

Ordered, That the committee on Towns be granted until Wednesday, April 12, to report upon matters referred to it previously to the second Wednesday in March.

Committee on Towns, — reports.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Frost of Lawrence, petition of Aretas R. Sanborn and others in aid of the petition for legislation to limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston. Referred to the committee on Cities and sent up for concurrence.

City of Boston, — height of buildings on Beacon Hill.

By Mr. Crouch of Northampton, petition of E. Morgan and Alvan Barrus, for the trustees of the Northampton Insane Hospital, for legislation relative to barns, stables and other buildings at said hospital. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Northampton Insane Hospital, — buildings.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, petition of Leonard F. Hardy, for the selectmen of the town of Huntington, for legislation to confirm the proceedings of the recent annual meeting of said town. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Town of Huntington, — annual meeting.

By Mr. Smith of New Marlborough, petition of Charles G. Smith for legislation for the incorporation of the Berk-

Berkshire and Canaan Street Railway Company.

shire and Canaan Street Railway Company. The same gentleman moved that the 12th and 9th joint rules be suspended, which motions were referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

The following orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

Committee on
Cities, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Cities shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 12.

Committee on
Federal Relations, — reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Federal Relations shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 12.

Committee on
Insurance, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Insurance shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 19.

Committee on
Metropolitan
Affairs, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Metropolitan Affairs shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 12.

Committees on
Metropolitan
Affairs and
Roads and
Bridges, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Roads and Bridges, sitting jointly, shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 12.

Committees on
Metropolitan
Affairs and
Water Supply,
— reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly, shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 12.

Committee on
Printing, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Printing shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 12.

Committee on
Public Service,
— reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Public Service shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 19.

The House order granting the committee on Railroads until Friday, March 31, to report upon matters referred to it previously to the second Wednesday in March, came down adopted, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out the words "Friday, March 31," and inserting in place thereof the words "Wednesday, April 12," in which the House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Committee on Railroads, — reports.

Bills :

Relative to the examination of street railway bridges (Senate, No. 262) (introduced on leave in the Senate);

Street railway bridges.

To provide that a person applying to vote in the city of Boston shall not be required to write his name on the voting list (Senate, No. 267) (new draft of a bill, Senate, No. 72, introduced on leave); and

City of Boston, — voting.

Relative to returns to be made to the Secretary of the Commonwealth by treasurers of political committees (Senate, No. 268) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, House, No. 693);

Elections, — corrupt practices.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Resolve to provide for printing the report of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners on a high-level system of sewerage (Senate, No. 215) (introduced on leave in the Senate), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners, — high-level sewer.

A Resolve to provide for the survey of forest lands and waste unused areas of the Commonwealth (printed as House, No. 124) (introduced on leave in the House), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Forest survey.

A Resolve (introduced on leave) relative to a supply of water for the Massachusetts Reformatory (Senate, No. 277), referred by the Senate to the committee on Prisons, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Massachusetts Reformatory, — water supply.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of A. Littlefield and others in aid of the petition for legislation to provide for a record of the Massa-

Soldiers and sailors, — certain records.

chusetts soldiers and sailors in the war of the rebellion.
To the committee on Military Affairs.

Acushnet River,
— bridge
between New
Bedford and
Fairhaven.

Petitions of S. Frank Alden and others, George E. Briggs and others, Charles W. Clifford and others, F. R. Slocum and others, George H. Tripp and others and William R. Wing and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation relative to the relocation and widening of the old bridge over the Acushnet River between the city of New Bedford and the town of Fairhaven.

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

Reports of Committees.

State Board of
Agriculture, —
gypsy moth.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, from the committee on Agriculture, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Massachusetts State Board of Agriculture on the work of exterminating the gypsy moth (House, No. 200).

Milk, — testing.

By Mr. Chandler of Somerville, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 657) of Frank H. Hill for legislation relative to the testing of milk transported in railroad cars.

Metropolitan
Sewerage Com-
missioners, —
high-level
gravity sewer
for the Charles
and Neponset
River valleys.

By Mr. White of Somerville, from the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Drainage, sitting jointly, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners, under chapter 4 of the Resolves of the year 1898, upon a high-level gravity sewer for the relief of the Charles and Neponset River valleys.

Massachusetts
Highway Com-
mission, —
annual report.

By Mr. Grimes of Reading, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, no further legislation necessary, on the sixth annual report of the Massachusetts Highway Commission (Pub. Doc. No. 54).

State House
Construction
Commissioners.

By Mr. Harwood of Lynn, from the committee on State House, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State House Construction Commissioners (House, No. 157).

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Gypsy moth.

By Mr. Ellsworth of Worcester, from the committee on Agriculture, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to repeal chapter 210 of the Acts of the year 1891 relative to the gypsy moth (House, No. 741) ought not to pass.

. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. Minton of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the admission of attorneys-at-law (House, No. 547) be referred to the next General Court. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the reference of the bill to the next General Court.

Attorneys-at-law, — admission.

By Mr. Adams of Barre, from the committee on Agriculture, on the eighth annual report of the Dairy Bureau of the Massachusetts Board of Agriculture (Pub. Doc. No. 60), a Bill relative to renovated butter, so called. (House, No. 1053.)

Renovated butter.

By Mr. Libby of Medford, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 609), a Bill relative to special administrators. (House, No. 1054.)

Special administrators.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition (recommitted, with accompanying bill, House, No. 791), a Bill relative to records of patients treated at free dispensaries. (House, No. 1059.)

Free dispensaries, — records.

By Mr. Miller of Pepperell, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 831), a Bill to authorize the Northampton and Amherst Street Railway Company to construct a bridge across the Connecticut River between the city of Northampton and the town of Hadley. (House, No. 1055.)

Northampton and Amherst Street Railway Company, — bridge over the Connecticut River.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Corey of Sturbridge, from the committee on Agriculture, that the Bill (recommitted) to amend an act relative to animals affected with infectious diseases (printed as Senate, No. 91) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on passing the bill to be engrossed.

Animals, — infectious diseases.

By Mr. Smith of Dover, from the committee on Education, that the Resolve (recommitted) to provide suitable apparatus for the State Normal School at Lowell ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title.

State Normal School at Lowell, — apparatus.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to

Province Laws.

provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws (House, No. 266) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title.

State Board of Health,—discharge of sewage into Boston harbor.

By Mr. White of Somerville, from the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Drainage, sitting jointly, on the report of the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners upon a high-level gravity sewer for the relief of the Charles and Neponset River valleys, in part, a Resolve directing the State Board of Health to report upon the general subject of the discharge of sewage into Boston harbor.

Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners,—high-level gravity sewer for the Charles and Neponset River valleys.

By the same gentleman, from the same committees, on the report of the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners upon a high-level gravity sewer for the relief of the Charles and Neponset River valleys, in part, a Bill to provide for the construction of a high-level gravity sewer for the relief of the Charles and Neponset River valleys.

Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates.

By Mr. Coolidge of Cambridge, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates (Pub. Doc. No. 47), in part, a Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates.

State Almshouse.

By Mr. Sisson of Lynn, from the same committee, on the annual report of the trustees of the State Almshouse (Pub. Doc. No. 26), in part, a Resolve in favor of the State Almshouse.

Massachusetts Highway Commission,—annual report.

By Mr. Grimes of Reading, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the sixth annual report of the Massachusetts Highway Commission (Pub. Doc. No. 54), in part, a Resolve to provide for additional copies of the annual report of the Massachusetts Highway Commission.

State highways.

By Mr. Frost of Lawrence, from the same committee, on the sixth annual report of the Massachusetts Highway Commission (Pub. Doc. No. 54), in part, a Bill relative to the construction and repair of State highways. [Mr. Miller of Pepperell, of the House, dissenting.]

State House,—mural decorations.

By Mr. Skillings of Boston, from the committee on State House, on the annual report of the State House Construction Commissioners (House, No. 157), in part, a Bill relative to mural decorations to be placed in the State House.

State House,—tablets near Memorial Hall.

By Mr. Campbell of Westfield, from the same committee, on the annual report of the State House Construction Commissioners (House, No. 157), in part, a Resolve to pro-

vide for the erection of tablets near the entrance to Memorial Hall in the State House.

By Mr. Brooks of Orange, from the same committee, on the annual report of the State House Construction Commissioners (House, No. 157), in part, a Resolve to provide for procuring a stained-glass window for Memorial Hall in the State House.

State House, —
stained-glass
window for
Memorial Hall.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Mills of Newburyport, the report of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 229) of the city council of the city of Newburyport for legislation relative to the powers and duties of the water commission of said city, was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

City of New-
buryport, —
water com-
mission.

Bill Enacted and Resolves Passed.

An engrossed Bill to revise the charter of the city of Somerville (which originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary (which originated in the House) ; and

Resolves
passed.

To provide for certain repairs at the Reformatory Prison for Women (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motions of Mr. Reed of Taunton, the Bill relative to the payment of bounties to Massachusetts soldiers (House, No. 850) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule.

Bounties.

Pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Military Affairs, it was recommitted to that committee, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, on further motions of the same gentleman, and was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

On motions of Mr. King of Boston, the report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 709) of

Telephone
companies, —
charges.

W. A. Davenport and another for legislation to regulate charges for telephone service, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

City of Boston,
— public parks.

On motion of Mr. Ross of Boston, the Bill to authorize the city of Boston to incur indebtedness outside the debt limit for the purpose of continuing the construction of its public parks (House, No. 1013) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time.

The same gentleman moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in line 8, the words "five hundred," and inserting in place thereof the words "six hundred and fifty;" and by adding at the end of the section the words "except so much as may be necessary to pay for land that may be purchased adjacent to the Chestnut Hill Reservoir in ward twenty-five in the city of Boston."

Pending the amendments and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, on further motion of Mr. Ross.

Labor, —
women and
minors.

On motions of Mr. Donahue of Fall River, the Bill relative to the hours of labor of women and minors (House, No. 126) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Labor.

Orders of the Day.

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The report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 123) of Edward I. Aldrich and others for legislation to provide for grammar and primary school-houses in the city of Boston, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

To reorganize the institutions registration department of the city of Boston (House, No. 680);

To authorize the town of Wellesley to incur indebtedness for park purposes (House, No. 973);

Relative to the taking of land by cities and towns (House, No. 1026); and

Relative to the Northfield Bridge over the Connecticut River in the town of Northfield (House, No. 1051);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To authorize the Norfolk Western Street Railway Company to act as a common carrier of small parcels of merchandise, baggage and the United States mail (House, No. 995);

Relative to the construction of a boulevard from the town of Dedham to the Stony Brook Reservation in the town of Hyde Park (House, No. 1011);

Relative to fines and forfeitures under the laws protecting fish and game (House, No. 1036); and

To authorize the city of Everett to incur indebtedness beyond its debt limit for school purposes (House, No. 1045); and

The Resolve in favor of the Lowell Textile School (House, No. 1046);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve to provide for printing twelve thousand copies of the Blue Book of 1899 (House, No. 1041) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a "Bill relative to the printing and distribution of the Blue Book" (House, No. 1057), which was read and substituted and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the salary of the assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Worcester (Senate, No. 210) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Prisons, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 324) of William Lawrence and others for legislation to provide for the control of jails and houses of correction by the Commonwealth, was considered.

Mr. Fitts of Somerville moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to provide for the maintenance of jails and houses of correction by the Commonwealth" (House, No. 324), which was read.

Mr. Myers of Cambridge moved that debate be closed at quarter before four o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached, and that speeches be limited to ten minutes each, which motion was adopted, by a vote of 89 to 6.

After debate the House refused to substitute the bill, by a vote of 20 to 110, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 175) of Charles G. Coffin, 3d, and others for legislation to prevent the use of seines, nets and other devices in the waters of the county of Nantucket, was considered.

Mr. Andrews of Nantucket moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill for the protection of bluefish and striped bass in the county of Nantucket" (House, No. 175).

After debate the bill was substituted, and having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Springfield, at eleven minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned, the order requiring the Speaker to declare an adjournment at twenty minutes before five o'clock having been previously suspended, on motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, by a vote of 93 to 5.

THURSDAY, April 6, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from the Governor.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor : —

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, April 6, 1899.

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives.

I transmit herewith for the information and consideration of your honorable bodies a report of the State directors of the Fitchburg Railroad Company.

ROGER WOLCOTT.

Message from the Governor, — report of the State directors of the Fitchburg Railroad Company.

The message was read and, with the accompanying report, was sent to the Senate. (House, No. 1068.)

Bill Ordered Printed.

On motion of Mr. David A. Mahoney of Boston, one hundred copies of a Bill relative to the Fitchburg and Suburban Street Railway Company were ordered printed for the use of the committee on Street Railways.

Fitchburg and Suburban Street Railway Company.

Report.

A communication from the Auditor of Accounts, transmitting a report, required by law, of the expenses incurred by the several committees of the General Court for publishing advertisements of hearings before them (House, No. 1060), was read and sent to the Senate.

General Court, — expenses of committees for advertising.

Orders.

The consideration of the following order, offered by Mr. Dean of Wakefield, was postponed until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston : —

Ordered, That the State directors of the Fitchburg Railroad Company report directly to this General Court, as

Fitchburg Railroad Company, — report of State directors.

required by section 27 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes, and state why they have not previously complied with this law.

The consideration of the following order, offered by Mr. Saunders of Boston, was postponed until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston : —

Boston Transit Commission, — use of subways by the Boston Elevated Railway Company.

Ordered, That the Boston Transit Commission be requested to inform the House of Representatives forthwith whether the subways leased to the Boston Elevated Railway Company now are being used by said company to the full capacity thereof, especially at the Park street station, and, if not, in what manner and to what extent said subways may be more fully utilized and travel therein expedited.

The consideration of the following order, offered by Mr. Myers of Cambridge, was postponed until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Bennett of Saugus : —

Hour of meeting; recess; adjournment.

Ordered, That, on and after Thursday, April 13, until otherwise ordered, the House shall meet on each legislative day, excepting Mondays and Saturdays, at half-past ten o'clock A.M. ; that, whenever the House is in session at ten minutes before one o'clock P.M., the Speaker shall declare a recess until two o'clock P.M. ; that on Mondays the House shall meet at one o'clock P.M. ; and that, whenever the House is in session at twenty minutes before five o'clock P.M., the Speaker shall declare the House adjourned.

On motion of Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, —

Committee on Ways and Means, — sessions.

Ordered, That the committee on Ways and Means be authorized to meet during the sessions of the House whenever they deem it necessary to do so.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

Nantasket Beach, — public reservation.

By Mr. Dooling of Holyoke, petitions of W. F. Hinckley, Nathaniel N. Thayer and others and Randolph Osborne, A. N. Hardy and others ; by Mr. King of Boston, petitions of Perley L. Lewis, Frank H. Monks and others and Andrew W. Archibald and others ; by Mr. Saunders of Boston, petitions of Alanson Bigelow, Moses W. Richardson and others and Alfred S. Manson, Charles E. Harts-horn and others ; and by Mr. Wells of Peabody, petitions

of John Herbert, Allen Chamberlain and others and Frank B. Fay, George Mortimer and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

By Mr. Crosby of Attleborough, petition of Osmyn H. Atwood and others; and by Mr. Marden of Stoneham, petition of H. B. Hildreth and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide for a record of the Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the war of the rebellion.

Soldiers and sailors, — certain records.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, petition of George A. Graves and others in aid of the Bill to provide for the construction of a new bridge across the Connecticut River between the city of Springfield and the town of West Springfield. To the committee on Counties on the part of the House.

Connecticut River, — new bridge from Springfield to West Springfield.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition of the Dorchester Historical Society in aid of the Bill to provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws. To the committee on Ways and Means.

Province Laws.

By Mr. Paton of Leominster, petition of Walter R. Dame and others for legislation to authorize the Worcester and Clinton Street Railway Company to act as a common carrier of merchandise, baggage and the United States mail. Mr. Sisson of Lynn moved that the 12th and 9th joint rules be suspended, which motions were referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Worcester and Clinton Street Railway Company.

By Mr. Miller of Southwick, petition of the selectmen of the town of Southwick for legislation to ratify and confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of said town. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Town of Southwick, — annual meeting.

Papers from the Senate.

The following orders were severally adopted, in concurrence: —

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Agriculture shall make final report on matters referred to

Committee on Agriculture, — reports.

them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 12.

Joint committee
on the Judi-
ciary, — reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the joint committee on the Judiciary shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 19.

City of Boston,
— street com-
missioners.

A report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 121) of Charles H. Innes for legislation relative to the board of street commissioners of the city of Boston, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Association of
Collegiate
Alumnæ.

To incorporate the Association of Collegiate Alumnæ (Senate, No. 244) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 26) ; and

City of Boston,
— board of
aldermen.

Relative to the board of aldermen of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 272) (reported on bills introduced on leave, House, Nos. 92, 264, 387 and 650) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Nantasket
Beach, — public
reservation.

Petitions of Harrington Smith, J. A. Brown and others, Brown, Durrell and Company, Boston School Supply Company and others, Mitchell Wing, William O. Delano and others, N. F. Mallalieu, Daniel Dorchester and others, William P. Ellison, Charles S. Davis and others, Reuen Thomas, Frank Wood and others, George W. Chipman, George B. Lorimer and others, Samuel C. Darling, Thomas Todd and others, Haynes, Sparrell and Company, J. B. Lewis Company and others and William B. Bird, George F. Gay and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Reports of Committees.

Town of Sutton,
— annual meet-
ing.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Sutton for legislation to ratify and confirm the proceedings of the recent annual

meeting of said town. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Dudley of Sutton, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1062) was referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of Leonard F. Hardy, for the selectmen of the town of Huntington, for legislation to confirm the proceedings of the recent annual meeting of said town. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1061) was referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Town of
Huntington, —
annual meeting.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of George W. Wheeler and others for legislation to ratify and confirm the proceedings of a recent meeting of the town of Becket. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1063) was referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Town of
Becket, —
annual meeting.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th and 9th joint rules be suspended on the petition of Charles G. Smith for legislation for the incorporation of the Berkshire and Canaan Street Railway Company. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 12th and 9th joint rules were severally suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1064) was referred to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Berkshire and
Canaan Street
Railway Com-
pany.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize the town of Leominster to supply the inhabitants of the town of Lunenburg with water. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Litchfield of Lunenburg, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill (House, No. 1065) was referred to the committee on Water Supply.

Town of
Leominster, —
water for the
inhabitants of
Lunenburg.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Savings banks,
— relief from
certain taxes.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the petition of Richard W. Irwin, receiver of the Hampshire Savings Bank of Northampton, for legislation to relieve savings banks in the hands of receivers from certain taxes. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 225) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Citizens' Elec-
tric Street Rail-
way Company.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th and 9th joint rules on the petition of Edward P. Shaw and others, purchasers and grantees of the purchasers of the franchise and property of the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company, that they may be incorporated under the name of the Citizens' Electric Street Railway Company. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCarthy, the 12th and 9th joint rules were severally suspended, in concurrence, and the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 275) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Commodities
and securities.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 113) of Ralph A. Stewart for an amendment of the law relative to the liability of persons employed to purchase and sell commodities and securities.

Labor, —
Saturday half-
holidays for
public em-
ployees.

By Mr. Davenport of Greenfield, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 163) of John J. Mahoney and others that Saturday half-holidays be given to State, city, town and county employees.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Registration in
pharmacy, —
examination of
applicants.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill relative to the examination of applicants for registration in pharmacy (House, No. 379) ought not to pass. Read and placed in the

orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. Skinner of Watertown, from the committee on Election Laws, that the Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) relative to caucuses in the city of Boston be referred to the next General Court. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the reference of the bill to the next General Court.

City of Boston,
— caucuses.

By Mr. Hunt of Worcester, from the committee on Cities, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 510), a Bill to provide for the assessment of a portion of the expense of watering streets in the city of Worcester upon street railway companies. (House, No. 1066.) [Mr. Chamberlain, of the Senate, and Messrs. Hayes of Lowell and Sands of Boston, of the House, dissenting.] Read and ordered to a second reading.

City of
Worcester, —
assessments for
street watering.

By Mr. Crouch of Northampton, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the annual report of the trustees of the Northampton Lunatic Hospital (Pub. Doc. No. 21), in part, a Resolve to provide for the erection of a cold-storage building at the Northampton Insane Hospital. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Northampton
Insane Hos-
pital, — cold-
storage build-
ing.

Reconsideration.

On motion of Mr. Neal of Dedham, the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the Bill relative to the construction of a boulevard from the town of Dedham to the Stony Brook Reservation in the town of Hyde Park (House, No. 1011) was reconsidered, and pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Metropolitan
Park Commis-
sioners, —
boulevard from
Dedham to the
Stony Brook
Reservation.

On motion of Mr. Russell of Boston, the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 123) of Edward I. Aldrich and others for legislation to provide for grammar and primary schoolhouses in the city of Boston, was reconsidered, and pending the recurring question

City of Boston,
— grammar
and primary
schoolhouses.

on the acceptance of the report, it was laid on the table, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

- Relative to the appointment of park commissioners ;
- To provide for the establishment of city and town seals ;
- To change the name of the police court of Haverhill and to include the towns of Georgetown and Boxford within its judicial district ;
- Relative to the injury or destruction of street railway signals ;
- To prevent the improper use of the flag of the United States or of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts ;
- To authorize clerks of police, municipal and district courts to approve bastardy bonds ;
- To exempt certain loan companies from procuring local licenses ;
- (Which severally originated in the House) ;
- To legalize and confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Winchester ;
- To authorize the town of Grafton to incur certain indebtedness for school purposes beyond the limit fixed by law ;
- To authorize the Brockton, Bridgewater and Taunton Street Railway Company to carry fuel and supplies for its own use ;
- To authorize the Providence and Taunton Street Railway Company to carry fuel and supplies for its own use ;
- Relative to the sale of ice ; and
- To provide that reports shall be made to the State Board of Charity by certain charitable corporations ;
- (Which severally originated in the Senate) ;
- Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed.

Engrossed resolves :

- Granting a county tax for the county of Hampshire ;
- Granting a county tax for the county of Worcester ;
- Granting a county tax for the county of Dukes County ;
- Granting a county tax for the county of Barnstable ;
- Granting a county tax for the county of Franklin ;
- Granting a county tax for the county of Norfolk ;
- (Which severally originated in the House) ;
- Relative to the industries at the Massachusetts Reformatory ; and

To provide for repairs at the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders of the Day.

Mr. Ames of Lowell moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to authorize the replacing of street-car tracks on Boylston and Tremont streets in the city of Boston (House, No. 1002), which motion, after debate, was lost.

City of Boston,
— street-car
tracks on
Boylston and
Tremont
streets.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motions of Mr. David A. Mahoney of Boston, the report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 819) of the Fitchburg and Suburban Street Railway Company for authority to extend its tracks and to operate freight cars and to act as a common carrier, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

Fitchburg and
Suburban
Street Railway
Company.

On motion of Mr. Willard of Chelsea, the Bill relative to charges and service of companies engaged in telephone business in this Commonwealth (House, No. 134) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Thursday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Telephone
companies, —
charges and
service.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 657) of Frank H. Hill for legislation relative to the testing of milk transported in railroad cars ;

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 501) of Edward G. Knight and others for legislation to provide for the establishment of a board of police for the town of Hull ;

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, no further legislation necessary, on the sixth annual report of the Massachusetts Highway Commission (Pub. Doc. No. 54) ; and

Of the committee on State House, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State House Construction Commissioners (House, No. 157) ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to caucuses (House, No. 655) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Election Laws, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Melrose to appropriate a sum of money for celebrating the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the town of Malden (House, No. 1052) ;

Relative to special administrators (House, No. 1054) ;

To authorize the Northampton and Amherst Street Railway Company to construct a bridge across the Connecticut River between the city of Northampton and the town of Hadley (House, No. 1055) ;

Relative to caucuses and elections (Senate, No. 257) ; and

Relative to reports to be made to the court by the auditor appointed to find and report the expenses incurred in the abolition of grade crossings in the towns of Hyde Park and Dedham (Senate, No. 269) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the town of Wellesley to incur indebtedness for park purposes (House, No. 973) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the town of Nantucket to elect a chief of its fire department (House, No. 507) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a " Bill to establish a fire department in the town of Nantucket " (House, No. 1058), which was read and substituted and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the better protection of infants (Senate, No. 248) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 254) of Charles P. Mills for legislation to abolish the Massachusetts Highway Commission and to transfer its duties to the county commissioners and a State engineer, was considered.

Mr. Mills of Newburyport moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to abolish the Massachusetts Highway Commission and to transfer its duties to a commissioner of roads and bridges and the county commissioners" (House, No. 1049).

Mr. Harwood of Littleton moved to amend the amendment moved by Mr. Mills by the substitution of a "Bill to abolish the Massachusetts Highway Commission, to create the office of State engineer and to provide for the construction and maintenance of State highways by cities and towns" (House, No. 1050).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Dalton of Salem, the amendment to the amendment was rejected, the House refused to substitute the bill moved by Mr. Mills, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 255) of Charles P. Mills for legislation relative to the apportionment of money expended by the Massachusetts Highway Commission, was considered.

Mr. Mills of Newburyport moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relative to the apportionment of money expended by the Massachusetts Highway Commission" (House, No. 255).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, the House refused to substitute the bill and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the District Court of Eastern Franklin (House, No. 1007) was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Davenport of Greenfield moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to establish the sessions of the District Court of Franklin" (House, No. 1056).

Pending the amendment and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading,

At twenty minutes before five o'clock, under the standing order, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 7, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Orders.

Fitchburg Railroad Company,
— report of
State directors.

The order instructing the State directors of the Fitchburg Railroad Company to report directly to this General Court, as required by section 27 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes, and to state why they have not previously complied with this law, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, was considered and after debate was withdrawn by Mr. Dean of Wakefield, there being no objection.

Boston Transit Commission, —
use of subways
by the Boston
Elevated Railway Company.

The order requesting the Boston Transit Commission to inform the House of Representatives forthwith whether the subways leased to the Boston Elevated Railway Company now are being used by said company to the full capacity thereof, especially at the Park street station, and, if not, in what manner and to what extent said subways may be more fully utilized and travel therein expedited, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, was considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, by a vote of 102 to 60, was adopted, by a vote of 94 to 84.

The following order, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, was considered:—

Hour of meeting; recess;
adjournment.

Ordered, That, on and after Thursday, April 13, until otherwise ordered, the House shall meet on each legislative day, excepting Mondays and Saturdays, at half-past ten o'clock A.M.; that, whenever the House is in session at ten minutes before one o'clock P.M., the Speaker shall declare a recess until two o'clock P.M.; that on Mondays the House shall meet at one o'clock P.M.; and that, whenever the House is in session at [A] twenty minutes before five o'clock P.M., the Speaker shall declare the House adjourned.

On motion of Mr. Myers of Cambridge, the order was amended at "A" by striking out the words "twenty minutes before five," and inserting in place thereof the words "half-past four," and, as amended, was adopted.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred:—

By Mr. Bugbee of Monson, petition of G. E. Fuller and others in aid of the petition for legislation to provide for a record of the Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the war of the rebellion. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Soldiers and sailors, — certain records.

By Mr. Crosby of Barnstable, petition of Edward C. Guild and others in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies. To the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Transportation companies, — weekly rest-day for employees.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Jeremiah F. McCarthy of Boston, petition of Jeremiah F. McCarthy for legislation to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to Catherine C. Dodge. Mr. Reed of Taunton moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

City of Boston, — Catherine C. Dodge.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 41) of Charles L. Morgan and Mary H. Hunt and others for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools so as to more fully define the schools in which they shall be taught, the methods of instruction and the character of text-books; to provide penalties for non-compliance with the requirements of the law; to provide for the supervision of the instruction; and to provide for the enforcement of the law (together with certain reasons for the report, printed as Senate, No. 282) [Messrs. Judd of Holyoke and Smith of Dover, of the House, dissenting and presenting their views, Senate, No. 283], accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Public schools, — physiology and hygiene.

The House Bill to provide for part payment of taxes and of certain claims against cities and towns (House, No.

Taxes and claims, — part payment.

1006) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Trust companies, —
unauthorized
transaction of
business.

The House Bill to prohibit the unauthorized transaction of business under the name of a trust company (House, No. 884) came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendments, asked for a committee of conference and that Messrs. Innes, Dallinger and Witt had been appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Springfield, the House insisted on its non-concurrence and concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference. Messrs. Henderson of Rowley, Paton of Leominster and Crosby of Arlington were appointed the committee on the part of the House, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Legacies, successions and other transfers, — taxation and distribution of proceeds.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill to impose a tax on legacies, successions and certain other transfers and to provide for the distribution of the proceeds of the same (House, No. 654). [Mr. Bennett of Saugus dissenting.] (See House, No. 1076.)

New York and Boston Canal Company.

By Mr. Hooper of Manchester, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 736) of Charles C. Clapp and others for legislation to incorporate the New York and Boston Canal Company.

Itinerant venders.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 270) of the Southbridge Board of Trade for legislation relative to itinerant venders.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Taxation, — equalization.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to provide for the equalization of tax burdens (House, No. 598) ought not to pass. [Mr. Bennett of Saugus dissenting.]

Fraternal military organizations.

By Mr. Harlow of Whitman, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Bill (recommitted) relative to

fraternal military organizations (House, No. 755) ought not to pass. [Messrs. Hagberg of Worcester and Quigley of Chelmsford, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. Paton of Leominster, from the committee on Ways and Means, on a communication from the Auditor of Accounts transmitting a supplementary report of expenditures in excess of appropriations incurred by the trustees of the Lyman and Industrial Schools, a Bill in addition to an act making an appropriation for deficiencies in appropriations authorized in the year 1898. (House, No. 1070.)

Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College (House, No. 169) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 1072.)

Massachusetts Agricultural College.

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide for the distribution of copies of the book entitled "Massachusetts in the Army and Navy" ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Resolve relative to the distribution of the Massachusetts Military and Naval History." (House, No. 1074.)

Massachusetts Military and Naval History.

By Mr. Miller of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, that the Bill (recommitted) to incorporate the Marine Park Tower Company (House, No. 1040) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 1071.)

Marine Park Tower Company.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve to provide for printing the report of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners on a high-level system of sewerage (Senate, No. 215) ought to pass.

Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners, — report on a high-level sewerage system.

By Mr. Paton of Leominster, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide for a State exhibit of drawing in the public schools ought to pass. (House, No. 1075.)

Public schools, — State exhibit of drawing.

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide suitable apparatus for the State Normal School at Lowell ought to pass. (House, No. 1073.)

State Normal School at Lowell, — apparatus.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

*Taken from the Table.*Appropriation
bill.

On motion of Mr. Mills of Newburyport, the Bill making appropriations for the Massachusetts Highway Commission (House, No. 836) was taken from the table, and after debate was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read "Bill making an appropriation for the Massachusetts Highway Commission."

Treasurer and
Receiver-Gen-
eral, — annual
report.

On motion of Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, the annual report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General (Pub. Doc. No. 5) was taken from the table, and was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Larceny.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Springfield, the Bill to define the crime of larceny (House, No. 265) was taken from the table.

The same gentleman moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 1077), pending which, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until Monday, on further motion of Mr. Stone.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To supply the town of Longmeadow with water ;
Relative to Malden Bridge, so called, in the city of Boston ;

Relative to commitments to the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates ;

To incorporate the Sutton Home for Aged Women in Peabody ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To establish the salary of the assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Worcester (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

*Discharged from the Orders of the Day.*Draught
wagons,—width
of tires.

On motion of Mr. Frost of Lawrence, the Bill to regulate the width of tires on draught wagons (House, No. 794) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a

suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman.

On motion of Mr. Langford of Newton, the Bill relative to the nomination of public officers in certain cases (Senate, No. 247) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Public officers,
— nomination.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 113) of Ralph A. Stewart for an amendment of the law relative to the liability of persons employed to purchase and sell commodities and securities ; and

Orders of the
day.

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 163) of John J. Mahoney and others that Saturday half-holidays be given to State, city, town and county employees ; and

Of the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Drainage, sitting jointly, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners, under chapter 4 of the Resolves of the year 1898, upon a high-level gravity sewer for the relief of the Charles and Neponset River valleys ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 121) of Charles H. Innes for legislation relative to the board of street commissioners of the city of Boston, was accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to caucuses in the city of Boston was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Election Laws, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the admission of attorneys-at-law (House, No. 547) was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

To incorporate the Association of Collegiate Alumnae (Senate, No. 244) ;

Relative to the examination of street railway bridges (Senate, No. 262) ; and

Relative to returns to be made to the Secretary of the Commonwealth by treasurers of political committees (Senate, No. 268) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relative to the crossings of railroads and public ways in East Boston (House, No. 1037) ;

Relative to the inspection of gas and gas meters (House, No. 1038) ;

To authorize the town of Melrose to appropriate a sum of money for celebrating the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the town of Malden (House, No. 1052) ; and

To authorize the Northampton and Amherst Street Railway Company to construct a bridge across the Connecticut River between the city of Northampton and the town of Hadley (House, No. 1055) ; and

The Resolve relative to reclaiming and improving waste and unused land with the labor of prisoners from jails and houses of correction (House, No. 1042) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend an act relative to animals affected with infectious diseases (printed as Senate, No. 91) was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The pending bill (House, No. 965), recommended as a substitute by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was substituted and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to the investments of savings banks and institutions for savings (Senate, No. 259) ; and

Relative to reports to be made by the auditor appointed to find the expenses incurred in the abolition of grade crossings in the towns of Hyde Park and Dedham (Senate, No. 269) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to establish the District Court of Eastern Franklin (House, No. 1007), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Kavenaugh of Montague moved to amend by inserting after section 4 the following new section : “ *Section 5.* So much of sections one and three of chapter three hundred and fifty-three of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-six as is inconsistent with this act is hereby repealed,” which amendment was adopted.

The House refused to substitute the pending bill (House, No. 1056), moved by Mr. Davenport of Greenfield, by a vote of 1 to 150, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 847) of the committee on rules of the Quincy Branch of the Granite Cutters' National Union for legislation to authorize labor organizations to patrol in vicinities in which there exists any strike, lockout or suspension of work, was considered, and after debate was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to political committees and caucuses of political parties (House, No. 690) was considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 89 to 32.

The Bill relative to the duties of assessors in the city of Boston (House, No. 1009) was read a second time, and after debate, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading,

On motion of Mr. Reed of Taunton, at half-past four o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, April 10, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and stated that Mr. Reed of Taunton had been appointed to preside. Mr. Reed accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

The consideration of the following order, offered by Mr. Ames of Lowell, was postponed until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Saunders of Boston : —

Printing of testimony of the secretary of the Boston Transit Commission relative to the use of the subway in Boston.

Ordered, That there be printed for the use of the House three hundred copies of the stenographic report of the testimony of Mr. B. Leighton Beal, secretary of the Boston Transit Commission, before the committee on Street Railways, relative to the use and capacity of the subway; and that there be printed in conjunction with this testimony the questions asked Mr. Beal, during his testimony, by the counsel for the remonstrants and the counsel for the petitioners, as well as the questions asked by members of the committee.

Introduced on Leave.

City of Medford, — assistant assessors.

By Mr. Libby of Medford, a Bill relative to the appointment of assistant assessors in the city of Medford. The bill having been read, Mr. Libby moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Petition.

Soldiers and sailors, — certain records.

Mr. Marden of Stoneham presented a petition of Dahlgren Post No. 2, G. A. R., in aid of the petition for legislation to provide for a record of the Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the war of the rebellion, and the same was referred to the committee on Military Affairs and sent-up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, no further legislation necessary, on the sixty-second annual report of the State Board of Education (Pub. Doc. No. 2) ; and

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary :

On the forty-third annual report of the trustees of the Northampton Lunatic Hospital (Pub. Doc. No. 21) ;

On the forty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the State Almshouse (Pub. Doc. No. 26) ; and

On the seventh annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates (Pub. Doc. No. 47) ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Notice was received of the rejection by the Senate of the following House bills : —

Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Charles Bulle (House, No. 476) ;

Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to Mary A. Davis (House, No. 531) ;

Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Edward Melia (House, No. 532) ;

Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of John McGrath (House, No. 561) ;

Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the mother of James F. Ryan (House, No. 570) ;

Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to Lucy G. Kelly (House, No. 665) ;

Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to Ellen A. Murphy (House, No. 673) ;

Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of John Rossiter (House, No. 674) ;

Bill relative to the licensing of lunch wagons (House, No. 945) ;

Bill to provide that the close season for duck shooting shall begin on the first day of March (House, No. 966) ; and

Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to Sarah E. Leavitt (printed as Senate, No. 36).

State Board of Education.

Northampton Lunatic Hospital.

State Almshouse.

Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates.

City of Boston, — widow of Charles Bulle.

City of Boston, — Mary A. Davis.

City of Boston, — widow of Edward Melia.

City of Boston, — widow of John McGrath.

City of Boston, — mother of James F. Ryan.

City of Boston, — Lucy G. Kelly.

City of Boston, — Ellen A. Murphy.

City of Boston, — widow of John Rossiter.

Lunch wagons.

Duck shooting, — close season.

City of Boston, — Sarah E. Leavitt.

Reports of Committees.

Water supply,
— pollution of
sources.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 723) of Charles E. Grinnell for legislation relative to the pollution of sources of water supply.. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Public officials,
— equalization
of salaries.

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to provide for the appointment of a committee to regulate and equalize the salaries of State and county officials ought not to pass. (House, No. 1079.)

Labor, — con-
tract system on
public works.

By Mr. Cook of Milford, from the committee on Labor, that the Bill (recommitted) to abolish the contract system on public works (House, No. 337) ought not to pass. [Mr. Moran, of the Senate, and Messrs. Ross of New Bedford, Donahue of Fall River, Cullinane of Lawrence and Driscoll of Chicopee, of the House, dissenting.]

Personal injury
or death, —
right of action.

By Mr. Libby of Medford, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) giving a right of action for personal injury or death (House, No. 449) ought not to pass.

Personal in-
juries and death,
— evidence in
actions.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to evidence in actions for personal injuries and death (House, No. 450) ought not to pass. [Mr. McLoughlin of Worcester, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

Massachusetts
Reformatory, —
new buildings.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve to provide for a new hospital, laundry and bath house building at the Massachusetts Reformatory be referred to the next General Court. (House, No. 1078.)

Indigent and
neglected
children, —
care and main-
tenance.

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, from the same committee, that the Bill to provide for the care and maintenance of indigent and neglected children (Senate, No. 250) be referred to the next General Court.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on reference to the next General Court.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, from the committee on Military aid. Ways and Means, that the Bill relative to military aid ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 1080.)

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the same committee, State aid. that the Bill relative to State aid ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 1081.)

By Mr. Haywood of Lynn, from the committee on Deceased persons, — distribution of estates. Probate and Insolvency, on petitions (with accompanying bills, House, No. 357 and Senate, No. 88) and on bills introduced on leave (House, Nos. 171 and 747), a Bill to revise the laws relative to the distribution of the estates of deceased persons. (House, No. 1082.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on State Normal Art School, — cleaning and painting original building. Ways and Means, that the Resolve to provide for cleaning and painting the original building of the State Normal Art School in the city of Boston ought to pass. (House, No. 1083.)

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the same committee, State Normal School at Fitchburg, — model and practice school. that the Resolve to provide for the erection of a building for a model and practice school in connection with the State Normal School at Fitchburg (House, No. 291) ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Newton of Everett, the annual report of the Tax Commissioner (Pub. Doc. No. 16) was taken from the table, and was referred to the committee on Taxation and sent up for concurrence. Tax Commissioner, — annual report.

On motion of Mr. White of Somerville, the Bill relative to the appointment of medical experts as witnesses in the Superior Court (House, No. 367) was taken from the table and was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Probate and Insolvency, and notice was sent to the Senate. Superior Court, — medical experts as witnesses.

On motions of Mr. Feiker of Northampton, the report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 493) of William H. Feiker for legislation to require street Street railway companies, — enclosed platform cars.

railway companies to enclose the platforms of their cars during certain months of the year, was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until Friday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the building of a drain by the city of Somerville ;

To place the Chestnut Hill Reservoir grounds under the custody of the board of park commissioners of the city of Boston ;

To authorize the Norfolk Central Street Railway Company to act as a common carrier of baggage and of small parcels of merchandise ;

Relative to the construction of a boulevard from the Middlesex Fells parkway to the Charles River ; and

To change the time of the April sitting of the Superior Court for the county of Barnstable ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

City of Lawrence, — school committee.

On motion of Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, the Bill relative to the powers of the school committee of the city of Lawrence (House, No. 672) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was laid on the table, on further motion of the same gentleman.

City of Boston, — municipal elections.

On motion of Mr. Whall of Boston, the Bill relative to the time for holding municipal elections in the city of Boston (House, No. 1018) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Taxation, — equalization.

On motions of Mr. Luce of Somerville, the Bill to provide for the equalization of tax burdens (House, No. 598)

was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Thursday, April 20, to be placed first in the orders of the day, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Massachusetts State Board of Agriculture on the work of exterminating the gypsy moth (House, No. 200) ;

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 736) of Charles C. Clapp and others for legislation to incorporate the New York and Boston Canal Company ; and

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 270) of the Southbridge Board of Trade for legislation relative to itinerant vendors ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in addition to an act making an appropriation for deficiencies in appropriations authorized in the year 1898 (House, No. 1070) ; and

Resolves :

To provide suitable apparatus for the State Normal School at Lowell (House, No. 1073) ;

To provide for a State exhibit of drawing in the public schools (House, No. 1075) ; and

To provide for printing the report of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners on a high-level system of sewerage (Senate, No. 215) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to special administrators (House, No. 1054) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Association of Collegiate Alumnae (Senate, No. 244) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the duties of assessors in the city of Boston (House, No. 1009), being the unfinished business of Friday last, was further considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Saunders of Boston moved to amend section 2 by inserting before the word "The," in line 35, the words "In Boston."

After debate the amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the hours of labor of women and minors (House, No. 167) was considered, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Labor.

After debate the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Donahue of Fall River, and the roll being called the rejection of the bill was negatived, and it was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The vote was 66 yeas to 97 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.
 Andrews, David B.
 Bartlett, Edwin
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Blood, Charles H.
 Boylston, Ward N.
 Brown, Henry L.
 Burgess, Albert H.
 Burrington, Lester L.
 Campbell, Andrew
 Chadwick, N. Henry
 Chandler, Leonard B.
 Chase, Henry L.
 Cluer, Arthur H.
 Cole, Samuel
 Cook, Clifford A.
 Coolidge, Daniel S.
 Corey, Charles V.
 Crosby, Alfred R.
 Crosby, J. Howell
 Dean, Benjamin C.
 Drake, Frederic P.
 Dudley, George J.
 Folsom, Albert T.
 Foster, Frank A.

Messrs. Gilpatric, Fred C.
 Harlow, Franklin P.
 Harvell, Elisha T.
 Harwood, Herbert J.
 Hawes, Martin E.
 Haywood, Charles E.
 Heath, Guilford P.
 Hooper, Franklin K.
 Horton, Henry T.
 Hunt, James
 Huntress, Franklin E.
 Judd, William E.
 Kyle, William S.
 Leland, Francis
 Libby, John F.
 Litchfield, James A.
 Newton, H. Huestis
 Newton, Phineas S.
 Porter, Thomas F.
 Puffer, Herbert C.
 Robinson, Lewis D.
 Sands, Edward P.
 Saunders, Charles R.
 Severance, Joseph C.
 Sheppard, Eben W.

Messrs. Simmons, Arthur A.
Smith, Allen F.
Smith, Charles F. A.
Stanley, Benjamin F.
Stewart, Joseph I.
Swift, William S.
Tatman, Charles T.
Trow, Charles E.

Messrs. Turner, Henry E.
Upson, Charles H.
Wallace, S. Ives
Weston, Walter S.
Whall, Harry B.
Wheeler, William D.
White, Horace C.
Williams, George F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ainsworth, Wilfred
Balcom, George
Bleiler, John
Bresnahan, Hugh W.
Bridgeo, William
Brigham, William M.
Brooks, Charles C.
Brown, Willard M.
Bugbee, Nelson A.
Bullock, William J.
Carey, James F.
Conroy, Thomas A.
Crouch, Charles S.
Currier, Guy W.
Daly, William
Davis, Daniel W.
Davis, William R.
Dean, Charles A.
Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
Donahue, Thomas
Donovan, Eugene E.
Donovan, James H.
Donovan, Michael J.
Dooling, Thomas J.
Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d.
Eddy, Curtis
Estes, Eugene B.
Farwell, Frederick W.
Feiker, William H.
Fisher, George E.
Fitzgerald, William T. A.
Flanagan, John J.
Francis, Frank W.
Frost, Archie N.
Goulding, Albert M.
Green, Thomas H.
Hancock, Portus B.
Harriman, Charles H.
Harvie, Robert B.
Harwood, George F.

Messrs. Haskins, Leander M.
Howard, Robert
Howland, Charles W.
Jones, Michael B.
Kavanaugh, John E.
Keyou, Nicholas B.
King, Charles F.
Lanergan, John P.
Leslie, George F.
Lockhart, Alexander
Lomasney, Martin M.
Love, Joseph P.
Lowe, John H.
Luce, Robert
Mackey, Thomas
Mahoney, David A.
Mahony, Frederick C.
Mansfield, Matthew M.
Marchesseault, Eugene D.
Marden, William H.
McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
McIsaac, Daniel V.
McLoughlin, William I.
Mellen, James H.
Miller, Calvin S.
Miller, William J.
Mills, Charles P.
Minihan, Cornelius
Minton, John M.
Montgomery, James A.
Morrison, Andrew H.
Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
Myers, James J.
Neal, David
Pike, William T.
Queeney, James H.
Quigley, William J.
Ramsdell, Charles H.
Ray, Albert H.

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Messrs. Reed, Silas D.	Messrs. Stalker, Hugh L.
Root, Albert B.	Stone, Willmore B.
Ross, Samuel	Sullivan, Timothy F.
Salter, William R.	Toland, John I.
Scates, Louis M.	Toomey, John J.
Sisson, Robert S.	Twomey, Edmund J.
Skinner, Henry R.	Whelan, John B.
Sparks, John T.	Whipple, John J.
Spooner, Wallace	

66 yeas ; 97 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Ross, Leonard W.	Messrs. Cullinane, Richard*
Ellsworth, J. Lewis*	Grant, Oliver S.
Ames, Butler	Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.*
Miller, Charles H.*	Gaddis, Michael E.
Chapple, William D.*	Donovan, Edward J.
Tolman, William*	Sullivan, Michael J.
Mead, Edward C.	Hopewell, William*
Schofield, William*	Douglass, John J.
Davenport, William A.*	Marchant, Charles S.
Grimes, James W.*	Kells, William, Jr.

* Present.

The Bill to define the crime of larceny (House, No. 265) was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Pending the substitution of the bill (House, No. 1077), previously moved as an amendment by Mr. Stone of Springfield, Mr. Davenport of Greenfield moved that the bill be postponed for further consideration until tomorrow, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day, which motion was lost.

The bill moved by Mr. Stone was then substituted, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day, on motion of Mr. Newton of Everett.

The Bill to authorize stockholders of certain corporations to examine their books and accounts (House, No.

895) was considered, and after debate was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Mercantile Affairs, by a vote of 67 to 31.

Mr. Blood of Fitchburg raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 117 members were present.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lowell, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

On the appearance of a quorum the question was again put, and the bill was rejected, by a vote of 73 to 35.

The Bill relative to the purchase of gas and electric light plants by cities and towns (House, No. 339) was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Monday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, on motion of Mr. Adams of Melrose.

The Bill to regulate the employment of labor (House, No. 897) was read a second time, and after debate the House refused to order it to a third reading, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to establish dispensaries for the sale of alcohol and intoxicating liquors in no-license cities and towns (House, No. 1024) was read a second time, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Wood of Woburn, the House refused to order it to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for a uniform rate of wages and hours of labor for mechanics and laborers on public works (House, No. 93) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a Bill to provide for a uniform rate of wages and hours of labor for workmen engaged in public work (House, No. 1048), which was read and substituted, and was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 43 to 40, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to granting locations to street railway companies (House, No. 986) was read a third time, and after debate was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House,

No. 729) of Josiah Quincy for legislation relative to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Boston, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston.

The Resolve (introduced on leave) relative to printing the report of the committee on Labor of the General Court of 1898 upon the subject of the reduction of wages in the cotton mills of the Commonwealth was considered, and after debate was referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House refusing to suspend said rule.

The Bill to authorize the appointment of a permanent court officer for the probate court of the county of Middlesex (House, No. 1019) was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Cluer of Lowell moved that it be postponed for consideration until to-morrow, which motion was lost.

Mr. Hayes of Lowell moved that the bill be laid upon the table, which motion, after debate, was adopted, by a vote of 54 to 23, and the bill was, accordingly, laid on the table.

At twenty minutes before five o'clock, under the standing order, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 11, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and stated that Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston had been appointed to preside. Mr. McCarthy accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Waltham, —

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures be authorized to sit during the sessions of the General Court. Committee on Manufactures, — sessions.

On motion of Mr. Marden of Stoneham, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs be granted until Tuesday, April 18, to report upon matters referred to it previously to the second Wednesday in March. Committee on Military Affairs, — reports.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

The order authorizing the printing for the use of the House of three hundred copies of the stenographic report of the testimony of Mr. B. Leighton Beal, secretary of the Boston Transit Commission, before the committee on Street Railways, relative to the use and capacity of the subway, and the questions asked Mr. Beal, during his testimony, by the counsel for the remonstrants and the counsel for the petitioners, as well as the questions asked by members of the committee, was considered. Committee on Street Railways, — testimony of the secretary of the Boston Transit Commission relative to the use of the subway in Boston.

Mr. Saunders of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of the following order: —

Ordered, That there be printed for the use of the House three hundred copies of the stenographic report of all the testimony of Mr. B. Leighton Beal, secretary of the Boston Transit Commission, before the committee on Street Railways; and that there be printed in conjunction with this testimony the questions asked Mr. Beal, during his

testimony, by the counsel for the remonstrants and the counsel for the petitioners, as well as the questions asked by members of the committee.

After debate the amendment was adopted, by a vote of 110 to 17, and the order, as amended, was rejected.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred: —

Nantasket
Beach, — public
reservation.

By Mr. Chadwick of Newton, petition of James H. Ball, John B. Martin and others; by Mr. Dumond of Boston, petitions of George W. Nash, W. H. Kimball and others and Spencer W. Richardson, George S. Merrill and others; by Mr. Langford of Newton, petition of Arthur Hooper, Charles W. Trainer and others; by Mr. Libby of Medford, petition of Louis Kempner, N. E. Hibbard and others; by Mr. Neal of Dedham, petition of Albert E. Parsons, Eben Alexander and others; by Mr. Skillings of Boston, petitions of Charles Parkhurst, J. F. Deland and others and Lucian J. Fosdick, Warren T. Frisbee and others and by Mr. Weston of Hyde Park, petition of Horace Loring, Abram Pigeon and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Westborough
Insane Hospital,
— loss by fire;
fire-alarm sys-
tem and con-
nection.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, petition of John M. Merriam, for the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital, for legislation to provide for meeting loss incurred by fire, for the installation of an automatic fire-alarm system and for connecting said hospital with the fire-alarm system of the town Westborough. Mr. Crouch of Northampton moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Town of
Middlefield, —
annual meeting.

By Mr. Upson of Easthampton, petition of C. H. Upson for legislation to make valid the acts of the recent annual meeting of the town of Middlefield. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

*Papers from the Senate.***Bills :**

Relative to orders, rules and regulations made by the State Board of Health or by the Metropolitan Water Board (Senate, No. 208) (reported on the annual report of the Attorney-General, Pub. Doc. No. 12, in part); and

Board of Health; Metropolitan Water Board,—orders, rules and regulations.

To ratify and confirm the laying out, widening and altering of certain streets, ways and highways, and the laying out of special spaces therein for the use of street railway companies, in the town of Milton (Senate, No. 286) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 238); and

Town of Milton,—streets and locations for street railway companies.

A Resolve to confirm the acts of Arthur D. McClellan as a justice of the peace (Senate, No. 263) (reported on a petition);

Arthur D. McClellan.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill to provide for two additional associate justices of the municipal court of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 237) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Counties on the part of the House.

City of Boston,—associate justices of the municipal court.

The House Bill to prevent coercion of employees (House, No. 565); and

Labor,—coercion of employees.

The House Bill for the protection of small game in the town of Essex (House, No. 953);

Town of Essex,—small game.

Severally came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

A Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the payment of certain expenses from the treasury of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 292), referred by the Senate to the joint committee on Ways and Means, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

State officers,—payment of certain expenses.

Notice was received of the rejection by the Senate of the following bills, severally introduced on leave:—

Bill relative to the inspection of steam boilers and to regulate steam engineering (Senate, No. 97);

Steam boilers; steam engineers.

Parents, —
abandonment
by children.

Bill to prevent the abandonment of parents by children (Senate, No. 102); and

Street railway
companies, —
common
carriers.

Bill to authorize street railway companies to act as common carriers of freight, coal and supplies for street railway purposes (Senate, No. 106).

Reports of Committees.

Bail.

By Mr. Feiker of Northampton, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 253) of Leonard W. Ross for legislation relative to the taking of bail. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Employers'
liability.

By Mr. Feiker of Northampton, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to amend the employers' liability acts (House, No. 632) ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

State Alms-
house, — land,
buildings and
improvements.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve in favor of the State Almshouse ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Resolve to provide for the purchase of land, the erection of buildings and for certain improvements at the State Almshouse." (House, No. 1087.)

State Normal
Art School, —
repairs and
furnishings.

By Mr. McIsaac of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve relative to the Normal Art School building (House, No. 294) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Resolve to provide for certain repairs and furnishings at the State Normal Art School." (House, No. 1088.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Metropolitan
Sewerage Com-
missioners, —
high-level
gravity sewer
for the Charles
and Neponset
River valleys.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means (sitting jointly with the committee on Ways and Means on the part of the Senate), that the Bill to provide for the construction of a high-level gravity sewer for the relief of the Charles and Neponset River valleys ought to pass. (House, No. 1085.)

State Board of
Health, —
discharge of
sewage into
Boston harbor.

By Mr. Paton of Leominster, from the same committee (sitting jointly with the committee on Ways and Means on the part of the Senate), that the Resolve directing the State Board of Health to report upon the gen-

eral subject of the discharge of sewage into Boston harbor ought to pass. (House, No. 1090.)

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Norman Y. Brintnall ought to pass. (House, No. 1089.)

Norman Y.
Brintnall.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the same committee (sitting jointly with the committee on Ways and Means on the part of the Senate), that the Resolve to provide a building for a practice school in connection with the State Normal School at Westfield ought to pass. (House, No. 1086.)

State Normal
School at West-
field,— practice-
school building.

By Mr. Litchfield of Middleborough, from the committee on Towns, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to legalize and confirm the election of a board of health in the town of Plymouth (House, No. 1016) ought to pass.

Town of
Plymouth,—
board of health.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Goulding of Duxbury, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Bill (recommitted) relative to the placing of officers upon the retired list (House, No. 642) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on passing the bill to be engrossed.

Militia,— retire-
ment of officers.

By Mr. Ramsdell of Lynn, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 186), a Bill to authorize the town of Winthrop to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of constructing, in conjunction with the Metropolitan Park Commission, a shore road.

Town of
Winthrop,—
shore road.

By Mr. Schofield of Malden, from the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Roads and Bridges, sitting jointly, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to construct a bridge across the Mystic River between the city of Somerville and that part of the city of Medford known as Wellington. (House, No. 281.)

Metropolitan
Park Commis-
sioners,— bridge
over Mystic
River between
Somerville and
Medford.

By Mr. Moore of West Stockbridge, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 414), a Bill to provide for the construction of a highway and sidewalk over land of the Commonwealth at the State muster-field in the town of Framingham.

Militia,—
highway and
sidewalk at
muster-field in
Framingham.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Taken from the Table.

City of Lawrence, — school committee.

On motion of Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, the Bill relative to the powers of the school committee of the city of Lawrence (House, No. 672) was taken from the table and considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

The same gentleman moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 1084), which was read, and after debate was substituted and ordered to a third reading.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the Saint John's Catholic Cemetery Association ;

Relative to bonds in probate courts signed by surety companies ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Relative to reports to be made by the auditor appointed to find the expenses incurred in the abolition of grade crossings in the towns of Hyde Park and Dedham (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed.

Engrossed resolves :

To provide for printing additional copies of Bradford's History of the Plymouth Plantation ;

To provide for a new building at the State Industrial School for Girls ; and

To provide for a new building at the Lyman School for Boys ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

Labor, — women and children.

On motions of Mr. Donahue of Fall River, the report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 117) of John F. O'Sullivan for legislation to prohibit the employment of children under eighteen years of age and of

women in places where intoxicating liquors are sold or prepared for sale, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

On motions of Mr. Libby of Medford, the bills :

Giving a right of action for personal injury or death (House, No. 449) ; and Personal injury or death, — right of action.

Relative to evidence in actions for personal injuries and death (House, No. 450) ; Personal injuries and death, — evidence in actions.

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Kavanaugh of Montague, the Bill to establish the District Court of Eastern Franklin (House, No. 1007) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until Thursday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman. District Court of Eastern Franklin.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 723) of Charles E. Grinnell for legislation relative to the pollution of sources of water supply, was accepted and sent up for concurrence. Orders of the day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, no further legislation necessary, on the sixty-second annual report of the State Board of Education (Pub. Doc. No. 2) ; and

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary :

On the forty-third annual report of the trustees of the Northampton Lunatic Hospital (Pub. Doc. No. 21) ;

On the forty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the State Almshouse (Pub. Doc. No. 26) ; and

On the seventh annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates (Pub. Doc. No. 47) ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the care and maintenance of indigent and neglected children (Senate, No. 250) was

referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Resolves :

To provide for the erection of a building for a model and practice school in connection with the State Normal School at Fitchburg (House, No. 291) ; and

To provide for cleaning and painting the original building of the State Normal Art School in the city of Boston (House, No. 1083) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill in addition to an act making an appropriation for deficiencies in appropriations authorized in the year 1898 (House, No. 1070) ; and

Resolves :

To provide suitable apparatus for the State Normal School at Lowell (House, No. 1073) ; and

To provide for a State exhibit of drawing in the public schools (House, No. 1075) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the examination of street railway bridges (Senate, No. 262) ; and

The Resolve to provide for printing the report of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners on a high-level system of sewerage (Senate, No. 215) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the town of Wareham to take, improve and use a certain parcel of land for a public park (Senate, No. 251) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, striking out sections 6 and 7 and inserting in place thereof the following new section : “ *Section 6.* This act shall be submitted to the said town, and shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters of said town present and voting thereon at an annual town meeting or at a special meeting duly called for this purpose.”

The amendment was adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, its title hav-

ing been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read "Bill to authorize the town of Wareham to take certain land for a public park," and was sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The report of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 229) of the city council of the city of Newburyport for legislation relative to the powers and duties of the water commission of said city, was considered.

Mr. Mills of Newburyport moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to transfer the duties of the water commission of the city of Newburyport to the city council of said city" (House, No. 229).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, the bill was substituted, and having been read was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to authorize the city of Boston to incur indebtedness outside the debt limit for the purpose of continuing the construction of its public parks (House, No. 1013) was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Bresnahan of Boston moved to amend by inserting after section 1 the following new section: "*Section 2.* A sum sufficient to place the total regular working force of the park department on a permanent basis shall be set aside out of the above amount and shall be used for no other purpose than the payment of regularly qualified employees of the park department in the completion of work already begun."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Adams of Barre, the amendments previously moved by Mr. Ross of Boston were rejected.

The amendment moved by Mr. Bresnahan was rejected, by a vote of 13 to 54.

Mr. Bresnahan raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 134 members were present.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to regulate the width of tires on draught wagons (House, No. 794) was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Salter of Lynn moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 1034, modified in section 2 by striking out, in line 2, the word "one-quarter," and inserting in place thereof the word "one-half").

After debate the bill was substituted, by a vote of 68 to 16.

Mr. Grimes of Reading raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 120 members were present.

On motion of Mr. Reed of Taunton, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

On the appearance of a quorum the question was again put, and the bill was substituted, by a vote of 72 to 13, and was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 67 to 25, and sent up for concurrence.

At seventeen minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 12, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by Reverend George E. Fisher of Amherst, a member of the House.

Orders.

The consideration of the following order, offered by Mr. Hopewell of Fall River, was postponed until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Bennett of Saugus : —

Ordered, That a committee of five be appointed by the Speaker to investigate the history of the building of the New Bedford and Fairhaven bridge, so called, and to report to the House before the last day of April in the current year.

Special committee, —
Acushnet
River bridge
between New
Bedford and
Fairhaven.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Waltham, —

Ordered, First, that the Attorney-General be requested to transmit to the House of Representatives his opinion in writing whether the provisions of section eleven of the proposed act for the consolidation of certain gas companies in the city of Boston, submitted in the fourteenth annual report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 35), are constitutional and can be enforced in law or equity. Second, whether a law requiring any two or more gas companies to consolidate, without the consent of such companies, can be enforced in law or equity.

Opinion of the
Attorney-General, —
consolidation of gas
companies in
the city of
Boston.

Ordered, That a copy of said act be transmitted to the Attorney-General for his information.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Sands of Boston, petitions of F. W. Gregory, John E. Abbott and others, Joseph D. Steele, F. P. Towle and others, Charles H. Hoit, E. J. H. Estabrooks and others, James DeNormandie, Samuel A. Green and others, Frank A. Cutting, D. E. Furness and others, E. D. Ingraham, Michael H. Ganey and others, Henry D.

Nantasket
Beach, — public
reservation.

Williams, H. L. Shurtleff and others and D. C. Heath, Tarrant P. King and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

Committee on
Federal Relations, — reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Federal Relations shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 19.

Committee on
Metropolitan Affairs, — reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Metropolitan Affairs shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 26.

Committees on
Metropolitan Affairs and
Water Supply, — reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly, shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 26.

Committee on
Railroads, — reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Railroads shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Friday, April 21.

Bills :

Property, —
transfer of title.

To simplify the transfer of title to property (Senate, No. 265) (reported on the recommendations and suggestions of the Controller of County Accounts, House, No. 33, in part) ;

City of Boston,
— two polling
places for
caucuses in
certain wards.

To authorize the establishing of two polling places for caucuses in each of certain wards in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 287) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 8) ; and

Metropolitan
Water Board, —
suits for dam-
ages.

Relative to certain suits for damages for property taken by the Metropolitan Water Board (Senate, No. 288) (reported on the annual report of the Attorney-General, Pub. Doc. No. 12, in part) ; and

A Resolve in favor of Samuel T. Davis (Senate, No. 229) (introduced on leave in the Senate);

Samuel T. Davis.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Resolve to provide for the disposition of the material of the educational museum (Senate, No. 284) (reported on the annual report of the State Board of Education, Pub. Doc. No. 2, in part); and

Educational museum.

A Bill to authorize an exchange of land in Waltham by the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded (printed as House, No. 874) (reported on a petition);

Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded, — exchange of land.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

The House Bill to provide for the retirement of justices of the Supreme Judicial Court and of the Superior Court (House, No. 546) (its title having been changed by the Senate) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Supreme Judicial and Superior courts, — retirement of justices.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Odlin of Andover, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the order instructing said committee to investigate the question of the ownership and control by the Commonwealth of telegraph and telephone lines, that they advertised a hearing upon the matter; that at the hearing no evidence was produced, only expression of opinion; that it appears to the committee that a report on such an important and far-reaching proposition which would be of any value to this Legislature, or which the members of the committee would care to indorse, can be made only after an exhaustive investigation; and that the committee, therefore, asks for further instructions.

Telephone and telegraph companies, — State control.

By Mr. Davis of Cambridge, from the committee on Counties, no legislation necessary, on the communication from the Controller of County Accounts transmitting

Controller of County Accounts, — records of pro-

ceedings of
county commis-
sioners.

copies of the records of the proceedings of the county commissioners of the several counties.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

George Dunbar.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve in favor of George Dunbar (House, No. 711) ought not to pass.

Labor, —
assumption of
risks by em-
ployees.

By Mr. Selfridge of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the assumption of risks of danger by employees (House, No. 539) ought not to pass.

Employers'
liability.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to amend an act relative to employers' liability (House, No. 631) ought not to pass.

Railroads and
railways, —
injuries.

By Mr. Feiker of Northampton, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to injuries upon or about railroads and railways (House, No. 544) ought not to pass.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on rejection.

City of Boston,
— building
laws.

By Mr. Sands of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 676), a Bill relative to the building laws of the city of Boston. (House, No. 1092.)

Engineers and
firemen.

By Mr. Kyle of Plymouth, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on so much of the annual report of the Chief of the Massachusetts District Police (Pub. Doc. No. 32) as relates to steam boilers, engineers and firemen, a Bill relative to the licensing of engineers and firemen. (House, No. 1093.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Massachusetts
Highway Com-
mission, —
annual report.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve to provide for additional copies of the annual report of the Massachusetts Highway Commission ought to pass. (House, No. 1095.)

Northampton
Insane Hospital,
— cold-storage
building.

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide for the erection of a cold-storage building at the Northampton Insane Hospital ought to pass. (House, No. 1094.)

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Metropolitan
Park Commis-
sioners, — con-
struction of

By Mr. White of Somerville, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, on petitions (with accompanying

bills, House, Nos. 188, 320, 405, 582 and 586) and on the sixth annual report of the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 48), in part, a Bill to increase the amount of money to be placed at the disposal of the Metropolitan Park Commission for the construction of roadways and boulevards.

roadways and
boulevards.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on petitions (with accompanying bills, House, Nos. 188, 320, 405, 582 and 586) and on the sixth annual report of the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 48), a Bill to increase the amount of money to be placed at the disposal of the Metropolitan Park Commission for general purposes.

Metropolitan
Park Com-
missioners, —
general
expenditures.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Feiker of Northampton, the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 315) of Annie W. Killam for legislation relative to the duties of special commissioners, was taken from the table and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Special commis-
sioners, —
duties.

On motions of Mr. Munroe of Worcester, the report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 416) of Carl Dickinson and others for legislation to incorporate the Waltham, Ayer and Pepperell Street Railway Company, was taken from the table and recommitted, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Waltham, Ayer
and Pepperell
Street Railway
Company.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the system of playgrounds for the city of Boston (which originated in the House) ;

Bills enacted.

Relative to the investments of savings banks and institutions for savings ; and

To provide for the better protection of infants ;
(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

*Discharged from the Orders of the Day.***Employers' liability.**

On motions of Mr. Feiker of Northampton, the Bill to amend the employers' liability acts (House, No. 632) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary.

State Normal School at Westfield,—practice-school building.

On motion of Mr. Judd of Holyoke, the Resolve to provide a building for a practice school in connection with the State Normal School at Westfield (House, No. 1086) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, it was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of Mr. Judd.

*Orders of the Day.***Orders of the day.**

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 253) of Leonard W. Ross for legislation relative to the taking of bail, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Ways and Means, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill to impose a tax on legacies, successions and certain other transfers and to provide for the distribution of the proceeds of the same (House, No. 654) was accepted, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The Bill relative to the examination of applicants for registration in pharmacy (House, No. 379) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendment to the House Bill for the protection of small game in the town of Essex (House, No. 953), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Bills :

Relative to renovated butter, so called (House, No. 1053) ;

Relative to orders, rules and regulations made by the State Board of Health or by the Metropolitan Water Board (Senate, No. 208); and

To ratify and confirm the laying out, widening and altering of certain streets, ways and highways, and the laying out of special spaces therein for the use of street railway companies, in the town of Milton (Senate, No. 286); and

Resolves:

In favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College (House, No. 1072);

To provide for the purchase of land, the erection of buildings and for certain improvements at the State Almshouse (House, No. 1087);

To provide for certain repairs and furnishings at the State Normal Art School (House, No. 1088);

Directing the State Board of Health to report upon the general subject of the discharge of sewage into Boston harbor (House, No. 1090); and

To confirm the acts of Arthur D. McClellan as a justice of the peace (Senate, No. 263);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the taking of land by cities and towns (House, No. 1026); and

Resolves:

To provide for the erection of a building for a model and practice school in connection with the State Normal School at Fitchburg (House, No. 291); and

To provide for cleaning and painting the original building of the State Normal Art School in the city of Boston (House, No. 1083);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the powers of the school committee of the city of Lawrence (House, No. 1084) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending amendments to section 1, striking but all of said section preceding the word "The," in line 6; and inserting after the word "committee," in the same line, the words "of the city of Lawrence."

The amendments were adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the placing of officers upon the retired list (House, No. 642) was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the hours of labor of women and minors (House, No. 126) was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Donahue of Fall River, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Labor.

The Bill relative to the construction of a boulevard from the town of Dedham to the Stony Brook Reservation in the town of Hyde Park (House, No. 1011) was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Neal of Dedham moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to construct a boulevard between the town of Dedham and the Stony Brook Reservation" (House, No. 486), which was read and after debate was substituted, by a vote of 42 to 39.

Mr. Dean of Brookline raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 138 members were present.

Point of order.

Pending the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston raised the point of order that the bill which had been substituted involved an expenditure of public money, and therefore should be referred, under House Rule 44, to the committee on Ways and Means.

The Chair (Mr. Whipple of Brockton) declared the point of order well taken, and the bill was, accordingly, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

The Bill relative to the nomination of public officers in certain cases (Senate, No. 247) was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Fitts of Somerville moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in line 2, the words "city of Boston," and inserting in place thereof the words "cities of Boston and Somerville."

Mr. Hayes of Lowell moved to amend the amendment by inserting after the word "Boston" the word "Lowell."

Mr. Judd of Holyoke moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in lines 1 and 2, the words "except in the city of Boston;" and by inserting after the word "city," in line 4, the words "or town."

After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston.

The amendment moved by Mr. Hayes to the amendment moved by Mr. Fitts was adopted, by a vote of 77 to 19, and the amendment moved by Mr. Fitts, as amended, was adopted.

The amendments moved by Mr. Judd were severally adopted, the House refused to order the bill, as amended, to a third reading, and notice of its rejection was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the time for holding municipal elections in the city of Boston (House, No. 1018) was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston moved to amend as follows:—

In section 1, by striking out, in line 2, the words “the city of Boston,” and inserting in place thereof the words “all the cities of the Commonwealth;” and

In section 3, by striking out, in line 2, the words “of Boston at the annual election,” and inserting in place thereof the words “of all cities of the Commonwealth at the annual state election.”

Mr. Clerke of Boston moved to amend section 3 by inserting after the word “annual,” in line 2, the word “state.”

After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston.

The amendment moved by Mr. Clerke to section 3 was adopted.

The amendment moved by Mr. Fitzgerald to section 1 was adopted, by a vote of 82 to 24.

The amendment moved by Mr. Fitzgerald to section 3 was adopted, and the House refused to order the bill, as amended, to a third reading.

The Bill relative to life insurance policies in prudential and industrial companies (House, No. 288) was considered and after debate was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Insurance, by a vote of 55 to 30.

Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 98 members were present.

On motion of Mr. Dalton of Salem, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

On the appearance of a quorum the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Cullinane, and the roll being called the bill was rejected, as recommended by the committee, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The vote was 81 yeas to 49 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs.	Messrs.
Adams, Charles H.	Leland, Francis
Ames, Butler	Litchfield, James A.
Andrews, David B.	Lombard, Edward M.
Apsey, Albert S.	Luce, Robert
Battles, David W.	Marchant, Charles S.
Bennett, Frank P.	McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
Blood, Charles H.	Miller, Calvin S.
Briggs, Clarence A.	Moore, James S.
Brigham, William M.	Munroe, John P.
Brown, Henry L.	Myers, James J.
Burgess, Albert H.	Newton, H. Huestis
Campbell, Andrew	Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.
Carleton, George H.	Parker, William C.
Chadwick, N. Henry	Paton, Alexander S.
Chandler, Leonard B.	Pike, William T.
Chase, Henry L.	Puffer, Herbert C.
Conwell, Robert E.	Ramsdell, Charles H.
Cook, Clifford A.	Reed, Silas D.
Corey, Charles V.	Robinson, Lewis D.
Crosby, J. Howell	Rounseville, Albert
Crouch, Charles S.	Saunders, Charles R.
Dalton, J. Frank	Selfridge, George S.
Dean, Benjamin C.	Skinner, Henry R.
Dewey, Frank S., Jr.	Smith, Allen F.
Drake, Frederic P.	Smith, Charles F. A.
Fisher, George E.	Spooner, Wallace
Folsom, Albert T.	Sprague, Eugene H.
Hagberg, John G.	Stalker, Hugh L.
Harvell, Elisha T.	Stanley, Benjamin F.
Haywood, Charles E.	Stone, Silas A.
Heath, Guilford P.	Stone, Willmore B.
Henderson, Francis D.	Swift, William S.
Hooper, Franklin K.	Tatman, Charles T.
Hopewell, William	Turner, Henry E.
Horton, Henry T.	Twombly, Horatio F.
Howland, Willard	Upton, Charles H.
Huntress, Franklin E.	Watson, Walter S.
Keith, Charles P.	Wells, Abelard E.
Kyle, William S.	Whipple, John J.
Langford, John T.	White, Horace C.
Learoyd, Addison P.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Balcom, George	Messrs. Mahony, Frederick C.
Bleiler, John	Mansfield, Matthew M.
Bresnahan, Hugh W.	Marchesseault, Eugene D.
Brown, Willard M.	Marden, William H.
Bugbee, Nelson A.	McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
Bullock, William J.	McIsaac, Daniel V.
Carey, James F.	McLoughlin, William I.
Cullinane, Richard	Miller, Charles H.
Daly, William	Mills, Charles P.
Davis, William R.	Minihan, Cornelius
Donahue, Thomas	Minton, John M.
Donovan, Eugene E.	Montgomery, James A.
Donovan, James H.	Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
Dooling, Thomas J.	Odlin, William
Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d	Queeney, James H.
Dyer, George N.	Salter, William R.
Eddy, Curtis	Scates, Louis M.
Gilpatric, Fred C.	Smith, Charles G.
Green, Thomas H.	Sparks, John T.
Harlow, Franklin P.	Sullivan, Michael J.
Harvie, Robert B.	Sullivan, Timothy F.
Judd, William E.	Toland, John I.
Kane, Daniel J.	Twomey, Edmund J.
Kavanaugh, John E.	Whelan, John B.
Lomasney, Martin M.	

81 yeas ; 49 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Hayes, William H. I.	Messrs. Fitzgerald, William T. A.*
Trow, Charles E.	King, Randolph V.*
Farwell, Frederick W.*	Kells, William, Jr.
Dudley, George J.	Dean, Charles A.*
Dean, George Z.*	Donovan, Michael J.
Feiker, William H.	King, Charles F.*
Sands, Edward P.*	Mackey, Thomas
Whall, Harry B.*	Toomey, John J.
Porter, Thomas F.*	Dillon, Thomas J.
Tolman, William*	Donovan, Edward J.

* Present.

The Resolve directing the Board of Railroad Commissioners to investigate and report upon the rates charged

by railroads within the Commonwealth for the transportation of passengers, bicycles and baggage (House, No. 877) was considered, the question being on concurring with the Senate in an amendment striking out all after the title and inserting in place thereof the following:—

“*Resolved*, That the Board of Railroad Commissioners is hereby instructed to investigate the matter of passenger fares upon the several railroads operating within the Commonwealth, and the question of uniformity thereof [C] and the rates and regulations for carriage of bicycles and of baggage of passengers upon said railroads, and report whether in their judgment any legislation is necessary as to such rates or regulations [D] and especially whether any charge should be made for the transportation of bicycles or of baggage, and whether a uniform rate, not to exceed two cents a mile, should be charged for passenger transportation on said railroads within this Commonwealth, [A] such report to be made if practicable to this General Court, otherwise on or before [B] February first to the next General Court.”

On motion of Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, the amendment was amended at “A” by inserting the words “and to investigate the uniformity of suburban rates, the extension of suburban limits and the feasibility of the railroads issuing five hundred mile mileage books at two cents per mile;” and at “B” by striking out the words “February first,” and inserting in place thereof the words “January fifteenth.”

Mr. Reed of Taunton moved to amend at “C” by striking out the words “and the rates and regulations for carriage of bicycles and of baggage of passengers upon said railroads;” and at “D” by striking out the words “and especially whether any charge should be made for the transportation of bicycles or of baggage.”

Mr. Tolman moved that the order requiring the Speaker to declare an adjournment at twenty minutes before five o'clock be suspended, which motion was lost.

Pending the amendments and pending the main question on concurring with the Senate in its amendment, as amended,

At twenty minutes before five o'clock, under the standing order, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 13, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

The order authorizing the appointment of a special committee to investigate the history of the building of the New Bedford and Fairhaven bridge, so called, and to report to the House before the last day of April in the current year, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, was considered.

Special committee, —
Acushnet
River bridge
between New
Bedford and
Fairhaven.

Mr. Estes of Brockton moved that the order be laid on the table, which motion, after debate, was rejected, by a vote of 31 to 64, and the order was then rejected.

Papers from the Senate.

The following orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Cities shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 19.

Committee on
Cities,—reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Mercantile Affairs shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 26.

Committee on
Mercantile
Affairs,—
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Water Supply shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 26.

Committee on
Water Supply,
— reports.

Reports :

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 705) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legisla-

City of Boston,
— Charles River
embankment.

tion relative to the construction of the Charles River embankment in said city ; and

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court :

Metropolitan
District Com-
mission.
City of Boston,
— additional
subways.

On the report (taken from the files of last year) of the Metropolitan District Commission ;

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 122) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation to provide for the construction of additional subways in the city of Boston [Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, of the House, dissenting] ; and

Boston Transit
Commission, —
rapid transit in
Boston.

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 159) of the Boston Merchants' Association for legislation instructing the Boston Transit Commission to consider what should be done further to relieve the streets and promote rapid transit in the city of Boston [Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, of the House, dissenting] ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Hampshire
Savings Bank
of North-
ampton.

A Bill to relieve the receivers of the Hampshire Savings Bank of Northampton from the payment of a certain tax (Senate, No. 291) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 225), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

City of Boston,
— height of
buildings on
Beacon Hill.

A petition of William M. Smead and others for such legislation as will restrict the height of buildings on Beacon Hill and protect the neighborhood of the State House and its adjacent grounds was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Cities.

Reports of Committees.

Cohasset
harbor.

By Mr. Jones of Fall River, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 34) of Tower Brothers and Company and others that Cohasset harbor may be dredged and deepened.

Harbor and
Land Com-
missioners, —
survey of new
harbor between
Marshfield
and Scituate.

By Mr. Nickerson of Harwich, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 80) of Lysander S. Richards that an appropriation be made for a survey, by the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners, of the harbor recently

formed at the new mouth of the North River, which separates the towns of Marshfield and Scituate.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Paton of Leominster, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to provide for the construction of a highway and sidewalk over land of the Commonwealth at the State muster-field in the town of Framingham be referred to the next General Court. (House, No. 1096.) Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the reference of the bill to the next General Court.

Militia, — highway and sidewalk at State muster-field in Framingham.

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to provide compensation for the Metropolitan Park Commission (House, No. 724) ought to pass, in a new draft, with a similar title. (House, No. 1097.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

Metropolitan Park Commissioners, — compensation.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve to provide for certain alterations, additions and improvements at the asylum for insane criminals at the State Farm ought to pass. (House, No. 1100.)

State Farm, — asylum for insane criminals.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the same committee, that the Bill relative to the construction and repair of State highways ought to pass. (House, No. 1098.) [Mr. Paton of Leominster dissenting.]

State highways, — construction and repair.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide a building for female prisoners and certain other improvements at the State Farm and for the purchase of farm lands and cows ought to pass. (House, No. 1099.)

State Farm, — new building, improvements, purchase of land and cows.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Mead of Everett, the report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 797) of William J. Brickley and others for legislation to require the Lynn and Boston Railroad Company to issue certain free transfers, was taken from the table and recommitted,

Lynn and Boston Railroad Company, — free transfers.

under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, and was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To provide for the construction of new buildings at the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics ;

Relative to the release by the guardian of an insane married man of estates of tenancy by curtesy and rights by statute ;

Relative to water courses and drains in the city of Marlborough ;

Making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth and the brown-tail moth ;

Relative to drains and water courses in the city of Waltham ;

To authorize the city of Everett to incur indebtedness for school purposes beyond its debt limit ;

To authorize the Norfolk Western Street Railway Company to carry the United States mail and to act as a common carrier of baggage and small parcels of merchandise ;

For the protection of small game in the town of Essex ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To incorporate the Association of Collegiate Alumnae ;
and

Relative to the examination of street railway bridges ;
(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of Jesse A. Viles ;

In favor of Alfred Bickford ;

To provide for a farm building at the Medfield Insane Asylum ;

To provide for certain improvements at the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics ;

To provide for the renewal of an existing contract with the firm of Little, Brown and Company ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To provide for printing the report of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners on a high-level system of sewerage (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders of the Day.

Mr. Hayes of Lowell moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill relative to the rate of excise to be assessed upon and the revocation of locations of street railway companies (House, No. 759), which motion was lost.

Street railway companies, — assessments and locations.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motions of Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, the Bill to abolish the contract system on public works (House, No. 337) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Labor.

Labor, — contract system on public works.

On motions of Mr. Estes of Brockton, the Resolve in favor of George Dunbar (House, No. 711) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

George Dunbar.

On motion of Mr. Selfridge of Boston, the Bill to simplify the transfer of title to property (Senate, No. 265) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was laid on the table, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Property, — transfer of title.

On motions of Mr. Feiker of Northampton, the bills:

Relative to the assumption of risks of danger by employees (House, No. 539);

Labor, — assumption of risks.

Relative to injuries upon or about railroads and railways (House, No. 544); and

Railroads and railways, — injuries.

To amend an act relative to employers' liability (House, No. 631);

Employers' liability.

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and laid on the table, pending the question, in each case, on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Orders of the Day.

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day.

The report of the committee on Counties, no legislation necessary, on the communication from the Controller of County Accounts transmitting copies of the records of the proceedings of the county commissioners of the several counties, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve to provide for a new hospital, laundry and bath house building at the Massachusetts Reformatory (House, No. 1078) was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills :

To legalize and confirm the election of a board of health in the town of Plymouth (House, No. 1016) ; and

Relative to certain suits for damages for property taken by the Metropolitan Water Board (Senate, No. 288) ; and

Resolves :

To provide for the erection of a cold-storage building at the Northampton Insane Hospital (House, No. 1094) ; and

To provide for additional copies of the annual report of the Massachusetts Highway Commission (House, No. 1095) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Resolves :

In favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College (House, No. 1072) ;

To provide for certain repairs and furnishings at the State Normal Art School (House, No. 1088) ; and

Directing the State Board of Health to report upon the general subject of the discharge of sewage into Boston harbor (House, No. 1090) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve directing the Board of Railroad Commissioners to investigate and report upon the rates charged by railroads within the Commonwealth for the transportation of passengers, bicycles and baggage (House, No. 877), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the main question being on concur-

ring with the Senate in its amendment, as amended by the House.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, the amendments previously moved by Mr. Reed of Taunton were rejected. The House concurred with the Senate in its amendment, as amended, and the resolve was sent up for concurrence in the amendments to the amendment.

The Bill relative to charges and service of companies engaged in telephone business in this Commonwealth (House, No. 134) was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Hawes of Weymouth.

On the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Odlin of Andover, and the roll being called the bill was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 80 yeas to 79 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ames, Butler

Blood, Charles H.
Bresnahan, Hugh W.
Bridgeo, William
Brigham, William M.
Brooks, Charles C.
Bugbee, Nelson A.
Burrington, Lester L.
Carey, James F.
Clerke, Charles S.
Corey, Charles V.
Crosby, J. Howell
Crouch, Charles S.
Cullinane, Richard
Daly, William
Davenport, William A.
Davis, Daniel W.
Dean, Charles A.
Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
Donovan, Eugene E.
Donovan, James H.
Dooling, Thomas J.
Douglass, John J.
Drake, Frederic P.
Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
Dyer, George N.

Messrs. Estes, Eugene B.

Feiker, William H.
Fitts, Frank E.
Fitzgerald, William T. A.
Flanagan, John J.
Grimes, James W.
Harriman, Charles H.
Harvell, Elisha T.
Hawes, Martin E.
Horton, Henry T.
Howard, Robert
Kane, Daniel J.
Kavanaugh, John E.
Kells, William, Jr.
Keyou, Nicholas B.
King, Charles F.
Lanergan, John P.
Learoyd, Addison P.
Libby, John F.
Lomasney, Martin M.
Mackey, Thomas
Mahony, Frederick C.
Marchesseault, Eugene D.
McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
McLoughlin, William I.
Mellen, James H.

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Messrs. Miller, Charles H.
 Miller, William J.
 Minihan, Cornelius
 Minton, John M.
 Munroe, John P.
 Murphy, Mortimer D.A.
 Myers, James J.
 Neal, David
 Newton, H. Huestis
 Persons, Charles H.
 Pike, William T.
 Saunders, Charles R.
 Scates, Louis M.
 Simmons, Arthur A.

Messrs. Skinner, Henry R.
 Smith, Charles F. A.
 Sprague, Eugene H.
 Stewart, Joseph I.
 Stone, Willmore B.
 Sullivan, Timothy F.
 Toland, John I.
 Toomey, John J.
 Twomey, Edmund J.
 Upson, Charles H.
 Wheeler, William D.
 Whelan, John B.
 Whipple, John J.
 Willard, Edward E.

NAYS.

Messrs. Andrews, David B.
 Andrews, Richard F., Jr.
 Apsey, Albert S.
 Balcom, George
 Bartlett, Edwin
 Bleiler, John
 Briggs, Clarence A.
 Brown, Henry L.
 Bullock, William J.
 Bushnell, S. Hopkins
 Campbell, Andrew
 Chadwick, N. Henry
 Chase, Henry L.
 Cluer, Arthur H.
 Conroy, Thomas A.
 Crosby, Alfred R.
 Dalton, J. Frank
 Davis, William R.
 Dean, George Z.
 Donovan, Edward J.
 Dumond, John B.
 Favor, John
 Fisher, George E.
 Folsom, Albert T.
 Gaddis, Michael E.
 Gartland, John J., Jr.
 Goulding, Albert M.
 Grant, Oliver S.
 Hagberg, John G.
 Hancock, Portus B.
 Harlow, Franklin P.
 Harvie, Robert B.
 Harwood, Herbert J.

Messrs. Hayes, William H. I.
 Heath, Guilford P.
 Henderson, Francis D.
 Howland, Charles W.
 Huntress, Franklin E.
 Judd, William E.
 King, Randolph V.
 Kyle, William S.
 Leland, Francis
 Litchfield, James A.
 Lowe, John H.
 Luce, Robert
 Mansfield, Matthew M.
 Marchant, Charles S.
 Marden, William H.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
 Montgomery, James A.
 Moore, James S.
 Odlin, William
 Parker, William C.
 Porter, Thomas F.
 Powers, John A.
 Prindle, John F.
 Quigley, William J.
 Robinson, Lewis D.
 Root, Albert B.
 Rounseville, Albert
 Salter, William R.
 Sands, Edward P.
 Selfridge, George S.
 Shaw, Nathan W.
 Skillings, William E.
 Smith, Allen F.

Messrs. Smith, Charles G.
Sparks, John T.
Stone, Silas A.
Swift, William S.
Tatman, Charles T.
Tolman, William
Turner, Henry E.

Messrs. Varney, George E.
Wallace, S. Ives
Watson, Walter S.
Weston, Walter S.
Whall, Harry B.
White, Horace C.

80 yeas ; 79 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Donahue, Thomas*
Lombard, Edward M.
Spooner, Wallace
Reed, Silas D.*
Crosby, Aaron S.
Bennett, Frank P.
Morrison, Andrew H.
Adams, Austin F.
Chapple, William D.
Cole, Samuel*
Currier, Guy W.
Haywood, Charles E.
Mills, Charles P.*
Twombly, Horatio F.
Ray, Albert H.*
Coolidge, Daniel S.*
Burgess, Albert H.*
McIsaac, Daniel V.
Hopewell, William
Hunt, James
Keith, Charles P.*
Wells, Abelard E.
Sullivan, Michael J.*
Battles, David W.*
Dillon, Thomas J.
Ainsworth, Wilfred*
Miller, Calvin S.
Love, Joseph P.

NAYS.

Messrs. Sisson, Robert S.
Puffer, Herbert C.*
Chandler, Leonard B.*
Francis, Frank W.
Stanley, Benjamin F.*
Williams, George F.*
Litchfield, William C.*
Eddy, Curtis*
Severance, Joseph C.*
Seavey, James F.
Schofield, William*.
Gilpatric, Fred C.*
Langford, John T.
Haskins, Leander M.*
Cook, Clifford A.
Trow, Charles E.
Harwood, George F.
Morse, Merrick A.*
Wood, Alva S.*
Foster, Frank A.*
Farwell, Frederick W.
Sheppard, Eben W.*
Ramsdell, Charles H.
Turtle, William
Russell, Arthur P.*
Ellsworth, J. Lewis
Adams, Charles H.*
Ross, Leonard W.*

* Present.

Previous to the calling of the roll, Mr. Carleton of Haverhill was excused from voting, under House Rule 63.

The Bill to define the crime of larceny (House, No. 1077) was considered, and after debate was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

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The Bill to establish the District Court of Eastern Franklin (House, No. 1007) was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Davenport of Greenfield moved that it be referred to the next General Court, which motion was lost.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

At half-past four o'clock, under the standing order, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 14, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock A.M.

The Clerk announced the temporary absence of the Speaker, and stated that Mr. Estes of Brockton had been appointed to preside. Mr. Estes accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

The consideration of the following order, offered by Mr. Smith of Waltham, was postponed until Monday, at the request of Mr. Hayes of Lowell: —

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures be authorized to send for persons and papers in connection with its consideration of the fourteenth annual report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.

Committee on
Manufactures,
— persons and
papers.

Special Communications.

A communication from the Auditor of Accounts, transmitting a supplementary report of expenditures in excess of appropriations in the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General during the year 1898, was received and was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Treasurer
and Receiver-
General, —
expenditures
in excess of
appropriations.

A communication from the Boston Transit Commission, in response to an order adopted by the House, relative to the use of the subways in the city of Boston by the Boston Elevated Railway Company, was received and was read and placed on file. (House, No. 1103.)

Boston Transit
Commission, —
use of subways
in Boston by
the Boston
Elevated Rail-
way Company.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred: —

By Mr. Favor of Gloucester, petition of J. H. Flitner and Company, Lombard and Curtis and others; and by Mr. Weston of Hyde Park, petitions of Stephen B. Balkam, Andrew Washburn and others, Richard M.

Nantasket
Beach, —
public reserva-
tion.

Johnson, Henry B. Carrington and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
certain records.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, petitions of Jephtha C. Bruce and others and Frank A. Alvord and others; and by Mr. Goulding of Duxbury, petition of Clifford I. Rogers and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to provide for a record of the Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the war of the rebellion.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

City of Boston,
— petitions for
damages under
the southern
union station
act.

By Mr. Dean of Brookline, petition of Oscar B. Mowry and others for legislation to extend the time for filing petitions for damages under the act to provide for a union station for passengers on railroads entering the southerly part of the city of Boston. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

The following orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

Committee on
Harbors and
Public Lands,
— reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Harbors and Public Lands shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 26.

Committee on
Printing, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Printing shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 19.

City of Fitch-
burg, — in-
debtedness
for hospital
buildings.

A Bill to authorize the city of Fitchburg to incur indebtedness for hospital buildings beyond the limit fixed by law (Senate, No. 293) (new draft of a bill reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, House, No. 233), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Judges of
probate, —
retirement.

A Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for the retirement of judges of probate (Senate, No. 297), referred by the

Senate to the committee on Probate and Insolvency, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of C. H. Upson for legislation to make valid the acts of the recent annual meeting of the town of Middlefield. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Reed of Taunton, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1104) was referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Town of
Middlefield, —
annual meeting.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Southwick for legislation to ratify and confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of said town. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Fisher of Amherst, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1105) was referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Town of
Southwick, —
annual meeting.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of John M. Merriam, for the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital, for legislation to provide for meeting loss incurred by fire, for the installation of an automatic fire-alarm system and for connecting said hospital with the fire-alarm system of the town of Westborough. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Whipple, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 1106) was referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Westborough
Insane Hospital,
— loss by fire;
fire-alarm sys-
tem and con-
nection.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the Resolve (introduced on leave) relative to a supply of water for the Massachusetts Reformatory. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCarthy, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concur-

Massachusetts
Reformatory, —
water supply.

rence, and the resolve (Senate, No. 277) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Prisons.

City of Boston,
— transportation of letter
carriers on
street cars.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be not suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the transportation of letter carriers on street cars in the city of Boston.

South-eastern
District, —
salary of district
attorney.

By Mr. Wells of Peabody, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 21) of George A. Wheeler and others that the salary of the district attorney of the South-eastern District may be increased.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

State House, —
mural decorations.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill relative to mural decorations to be placed in the State House be referred to the next General Court. (House, No. 1101.)

Forest survey.

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide for the survey of forest lands and waste unused areas of the Commonwealth (printed as House, No. 124) be referred to the next General Court.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question, in each case, being on reference to the next General Court.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the committee on Ways and Means, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary, for repairs and improvements at certain institutions and for certain other expenses authorized by law. (House, No. 1102.)

Counties, —
civil service
law.

By Mr. Hancock of Brockton, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition (recommitted, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 135), a Bill to extend the civil service law to counties. (House, No. 1107.) [Messrs. Wells of Peabody and Sheppard of Quincy, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Educational
museum.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve to provide for the disposition of the material of the educational museum (Senate, No. 284) ought to pass.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the same committee, that the Bill to authorize an exchange of land in Waltham by the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded (printed as House, No. 874) ought to pass.

Massachusetts
School for the
Feeble-minded,
— exchange of
land.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Selfridge of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the Resolve to provide for a new hospital, laundry and bath house building at the Massachusetts Reformatory (House, No. 1078). On further motion of the same gentleman, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Massachusetts
Reformatory,
— new building.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. Gilpatric of Boston, the Bill to authorize the replacing of street-car tracks on Boylston and Tremont streets in the city of Boston (House, No. 1002) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman.

City of Boston,
— street-car
tracks on
Boylston and
Tremont
streets.

On motion of Mr. Odlin of Andover, the Bill relative to the rate of excise to be assessed upon and the revocation of locations of street railway companies (House, No. 759) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Thursday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Street railway
companies, —
assessments
and locations.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 34) of Tower Brothers

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and Company and others that Cohasset harbor may be dredged and deepened ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 80) of Lysander S. Richards that an appropriation be made for a survey, by the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners, of the harbor recently formed at the new mouth of the North River, which separates the towns of Marshfield and Scituate ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide that a person applying to vote in the city of Boston shall not be required to write his name on the voting list (Senate, No. 267) ; and

Resolves :

To provide a building for female prisoners and certain other improvements at the State Farm, and for the purchase of farm lands and cows (House, No. 1099) ; and

To provide for certain alterations, additions and improvements at the asylum for insane criminals at the State Farm (House, No. 1100) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 493) of William H. Feiker for legislation to require street railway companies to enclose the platforms of their cars during certain months of the year, was considered.

Mr. Feiker of Northampton moved to amend by the substitution of a “ Bill to require street railway companies to enclose the platforms of cars during certain months of the year ” (House, No. 493).

After debate the bill was substituted, and having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

The Bill relative to grade crossings in the city of Haverhill (Senate, No. 236) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Carey of Haverhill moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 1067), which was read.

After debate the amendment was rejected and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 74 to 26.

The Bill relative to the use of streets by corporations (Senate, No. 200) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Adams of Melrose moved to amend section 1 by inserting after the word "town," in line 23, the words "and subject to such conditions and restrictions as they may impose" (stricken out by the Senate).

After debate the amendment was adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and was sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill to codify and amend the laws relative to the preservation of trees (House, No. 1022) was read a third time and considered.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, striking out section 3 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "*Section 3.* Whoever, other than a tree warden or his deputy, desires the cutting or removal, in whole or in part, of any public shade tree may apply to the tree warden, who shall give a public hearing upon the application at some suitable time and place, after duly posting notices of the hearing in two or more public places in the town, and also upon the said tree: *provided, however,* that the warden may, if he deems it expedient, grant permission for such cutting or removal without calling a hearing, if the tree in question is on a public way outside of the residential part of the town, the limits of such residential part to be determined by the selectmen. No tree within such residential part shall be cut by the tree warden, except to trim it, or removed by him without a hearing as aforesaid; but in all cases the decision of the tree warden shall be final," which amendment was adopted.

Mr. Davenport of Greenfield moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in line 1, the word "shall," and inserting in place thereof the words "accepting the provisions of this act may."

After debate the amendment was rejected and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 85 to 1.

Mr. Davenport raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 114 members were present.

On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

On the appearance of a quorum the question was again put, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 104 to 0, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to making connections of estates with sewers (Senate, No. 252) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Lomasney of Boston moved to amend by adding at the end of section 1 the words "*provided*, that in the city of Boston any appropriation or loan made under the provisions of this section shall be made inside the debt limit established for said city."

After debate the amendment was adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and was sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill to repeal chapter 210 of the Acts of the year 1891 relative to the gypsy moth (House, No. 741) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Agriculture, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to records of patients treated at free dispensaries (House, No. 1059) was read a second time, and after debate the House refused to order it to a third reading.

The Bill to reorganize the institutions registration department of the city of Boston (House, No. 680) was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Donovan of Taunton moved that it be postponed for consideration until Monday, which motion was lost.

After debate the House refused to pass the bill to be engrossed.

The Bill relative to the Northfield Bridge over the Connecticut River in the town of Northfield (House, No. 1051) was read a third time.

Mr. Leland of Templeton moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relative to the relations between the proprietors of the Northfield Bridge and the inhabitants of the town of Northfield" (House, No. 1108), which was read and substituted and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill for the protection of blue fish and striped bass in the county of Nantucket (House, No. 175) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Andrews of Nantucket moved to amend as follows:—

By inserting after section 3 the following new section: “*Section 4.* This act shall not apply to nets on a vessel or craft making Nantucket a harbor of refuge, nor apply to a vessel or craft transporting nets only for purposes of sale or use, beyond the tide waters of the county of Nantucket;”

By striking out section 5, as printed, and inserting in place thereof the following new section: “*Section 6.* Whoever violates any of the provisions of this act shall, in addition to the penalties hereinbefore provided, also forfeit, together with the boat, craft, float or other conveyance, all apparatus of every kind, nature or description used by him or them, while violating the provisions of this act;”

By inserting after section 5, as printed, the following new section: “*Section 7.* A person accused of violating the provisions of this act may be arrested by any person authorized by law to serve civil processes or by a constable or police officer.”

Mr. Turner of Malden moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Whipple of Brockton, the amendments were adopted, and the House refused to order the bill, as amended, to a third reading, by a vote of 29 to 57.

Mr. Andrews raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 107 members were present.

Mr. Ross of Boston moved that the House adjourn, which motion was lost, by a vote of 41 to 56.

On motion of Mr. Swift of Tisbury, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

A second count showed that 114 members were present.

Mr. Kyle of Plymouth moved that the House adjourn, which motion was adopted, and accordingly, at five minutes before four o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, April 17, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

Committee on
Manufactures,
— persons and
papers.

The order authorizing the committee on Manufactures to send for persons and papers in connection with its consideration of the fourteenth annual report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, the consideration of which was postponed from Friday last, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

West Sutton
Cemetery
Association.

By Mr. Dudley of Sutton, petition of John S. Rich and others for legislation to incorporate the West Sutton Cemetery Association. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Haverhill
Young Men's
Christian
Association.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, petition of George H. Carleton for an act of incorporation of the trustees of the Haverhill Young Men's Christian Association. Mr. Reed of Taunton moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

Bicycle paths.

The House Bill to provide a penalty for trespassing upon bicycle paths (House, No. 978) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

Pan-American
Exposition.

A message from His Excellency the Governor relative to the Pan-American Exposition to be held on the Niagara frontier in 1901 was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Federal Relations.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Hancock of Brockton, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 162) of Henry D. Yeaton for the repeal of the act to improve the civil service of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Civil service
act, — repeal.

By Mr. Selfridge of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 578), a Bill relative to public warehousemen and other depositaries. (House, No. 1109.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

Public ware-
housemen and
other deposi-
taries.

By Mr. Francis of New Bedford, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on petitions (with accompanying bills, House, Nos. 312, 392 and 400), a Bill to provide for certain surveys and estimates by the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Harbor and
Land Com-
missioners, —
surveys and
estimates.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Newton of Everett moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, the Bill relative to the use of streets by corporations (Senate, No. 200). On further motion of the same gentleman, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Corporations, —
use of streets.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motions of Mr. Judd of Holyoke, the report of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 41) of Charles L. Morgan and Mary H. Hunt and others for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools so as to more fully define the schools in which they shall be taught, the methods of instruction and the character of text-books; to provide penalties for non-compliance with the requirements of the law; to provide for the supervision of the instruction, and to provide for the enforcement of the law (together with certain reasons for the report, printed as Senate, No. 282), was dis-

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

charged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

South-eastern
District, —
salary of dis-
trict attorney.

On motions of Mr. Whipple of Brockton, the report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 21) of George A. Wheeler and others that the salary of the district attorney of the South-eastern District may be increased, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

State and
county offi-
cials, — salaries.

On motion of Mr. Salter of Lynn, the Bill to provide for the appointment of a committee to regulate and equalize the salaries of State and county officials (House, No. 1079) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, it was recommitted to the committee on Public Service, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, on further motions of the same gentleman, and was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Telephone
companies, —
charges and
service.

On motion of Mr. Willard of Chelsea, the Bill relative to charges and service of companies engaged in telephone business in this Commonwealth (House, No. 134) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until Tuesday, April 25, to be placed first in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 705) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation relative to the construction of the Charles River embankment in said city ; and

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the report (taken from the files of last year) of the Metropolitan District Commission ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to mural decorations to be placed in the State House (House, No. 1101) was referred to the

next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills :

To provide for the assessment of a portion of the expense of watering streets in the city of Worcester upon street railway companies (House, No. 1066) ;

To revise the laws relative to the distribution of the estates of deceased persons (House, No. 1082) ;

Relative to the construction and repair of State highways (House, No. 1098) ;

Making appropriations for the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary, for repairs and improvements at certain institutions and for certain other expenses authorized by law (House, No. 1102) ;

Relative to the board of aldermen of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 272) ;

To authorize the city of Fitchburg to incur indebtedness for hospital buildings beyond the limit fixed by law (Senate, No. 293) ; and

To authorize an exchange of land in Waltham by the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded (printed as House, No. 874) ; and

Resolves :

Relative to the distribution of the Massachusetts Military and Naval History (House, No. 1074) ;

In favor of Norman Y. Brintnall (House, No. 1089) ;

In favor of Samuel T. Davis (Senate, No. 229) ; and

To provide for the disposition of the material of the educational museum (Senate, No. 284) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To legalize and confirm the election of a board of health in the town of Plymouth (House, No. 1016) ; and

Relative to renovated butter, so called (House, No. 1053) ; and

Resolves :

To provide for the purchase of land, the erection of buildings and for certain improvements at the State Almshouse (House, No. 1087) ;

To provide for the erection of a cold-storage building at the Northampton Insane Hospital (House, No. 1094) ;

To provide for additional copies of the annual report of the Massachusetts Highway Commission (House, No. 1095) ;

To provide a building for female prisoners and certain other improvements at the State Farm, and for the purchase of farm lands and cows (House, No. 1099) ; and

To provide for certain alterations and additions at the asylum for insane criminals at the State Farm (House, No. 1100) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to ratify and confirm the laying out, widening and altering of certain streets, ways and highways, and the laying out of special spaces therein for the use of street railway companies, in the town of Milton (Senate, No. 286), was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill for the protection of blue fish and striped bass in the county of Nantucket (House, No. 175), being the unfinished business of Friday last, was rejected, by a vote of 17 to 78.

The Bill relative to the purchase of gas and electric plants by cities and towns (House, No. 339) was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Simmons of Grafton, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading.

The Bill relative to caucuses and elections (Senate, No. 257) was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Saunders of Boston.

The Bill relative to fraternal military organizations (House, No. 755) was considered, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Military Affairs.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and the roll being called the bill was rejected, as recommended by the committee, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The vote was 105 yeas to 65 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles H.	Messrs. Hooper, Franklin K.
Ames, Butler	Hopewell, William
Andrews, David B.	Howland, Charles W.
Andrews, Richard F., Jr.	Hunt, James
Bartlett, Edwin	Huntress, Franklin E.
Battles, David W.	Johnson, Charles R.
Bennett, Frank P.	King, Randolph V.
Bleiler, John	Kyle, William S.
Briggs, Clarence A.	Langford, John T.
Brigham, William M.	Learoyd, Addison P.
Burgess, Albert H.	Leland, Francis
Burrington, Lester L.	Leslie, George F.
Campbell, Andrew	Litchfield, James A.
Chadwick, N. Henry	Litchfield, William C.
Chandler, Leonard B.	Lombard, Edward M.
Chapple, William D.	Lowe, John H.
Chase, Henry L.	Marden, William H.
Clerke, Charles S.	Mead, Edward C.
Cluer, Arthur H.	Mills, Charles P.
Cole, Samuel	Munroe, John P.
Conwell, Robert E.	Myers, James J.
Cook, Clifford A.	Neal, David
Coolidge, Daniel S.	Newton, H. Huestis
Crosby, Aaron S.	Newton, Phineas S.
Crosby, Alfred R.	Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.
Crosby, J. Howell	Odlin, William
Davenport, William A.	Parker, William C.
Davis, Daniel W.	Persons, Charles H.
Drake, Frederic P.	Ramsdell, Charles H.
Dudley, George J.	Reed, Silas D.
Dumond, John B.	Robinson, Lewis D.
Eddy, Curtis	Root, Albert B.
Ellsworth, J. Lewis	Rounseville, Albert
Estes, Eugene B.	Salter, William R.
Fisher, George E.	Saunders, Charles R.
Foster, Frank A.	Schofield, William
Francis, Frank W.	Seavey, James F.
Gilpatric, Fred C.	Selfridge, George S.
Goulding, Albert M.	Shaw, Nathan W.
Grimes, James W.	Sheppard, Eben W.
Harlow, Franklin P.	Sisson, Robert S.
Harwood, George F.	Smith, Allen F.
Harwood, Herbert J.	Smith, Charles F. A.
Hayes, William H. I.	Spooner, Wallace
Haywood, Charles E.	Stanley, Benjamin F.
Heath, Guilford P.	Stone, Silas A.
Henderson, Francis D.	Swift, William S.

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Messrs. Tatman, Charles T.
Tolman, William
Trow, Charles E.
Upson, Charles H.
Varney, George E.
Wallace, S. Ives

Messrs. Wentworth, Edward E.
Whall, Harry B.
Wheeler, William D.
Willard, Edward E.
Williams, George F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Apsey, Albert S.
Bresnahan, Hugh W.
Bridgeo, William
Brooks, Charles C.
Bugbee, Nelson A.
Corey, Charles V.
Cullinane, Richard
Daly, William
Donahue, Thomas
Donovan, Edward J.
Donovan, Eugene E.
Donovan, James H.
Dooling, Thomas J.
Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
Dyer, George N.
Feiker, William H.
Fitts, Frank E.
Fitzgerald, William T. A.
Flanagan, John J.
Gartland, John J., Jr.
Grant, Oliver S.
Green, Thomas H.
Hagberg, John G.
Hancock, Portus B.
Harriman, Charles H.
Howard, Robert
Jones, Michael B.
Judd, William E.
Kane, Daniel J.
Kavanaugh, John E.
Kells, William, Jr.
Keyou, Nicholas B.
King, Charles F.

Messrs. Lanergan, John P.
Lomasney, Martin M.
Love, Joseph P.
Mahony, Frederick C.
Marchesseault, Eugene D.
McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
McIsaac, Daniel V.
McLoughlin, William I.
Mellen, James H.
Miller, Calvin S.
Miller, William J.
Minihan, Cornelius
Minton, John M.
Montgomery, James A.
Morrison, Andrew H.
Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
Porter, Thomas F.
Queeney, James H.
Quigley, William J.
Russell, Arthur P.
Severance, Joseph C.
Sparks, John T.
Stewart, Joseph I.
Stone, Willmore B.
Sullivan, Michael J.
Sullivan, Timothy F.
Toland, John I.
Toomey, John J.
Twomey, Edmund J.
Weston, Walter S.
Whelan, John B.

105 yeas ; 65 nays.

The following pairs were announced : —

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Messrs. Turner, Henry E.*
Libby, John F.*

NAYS.

Messrs. Douglass, John J.
Mansfield, Matthew M.

* Present.

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Powers, John A.*	Messrs. Mahoney, David A.
Miller, Charles H.*	Conroy, Thomas A.
Adams, Austin F.*	Mackey, Thomas

* Present.

The Bill to incorporate the Marine Park Tower Company (House, No. 1071) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Miller of Boston moved to amend as follows:—

By adding at the end of section 1 the words “*provided, however, nothing shall be done by said company hereunder until the location of any proposed tower or structure with the plans therefor have been approved by the board of park commissioners of the city of Boston;*” and

In section 6, by striking out, in line 1, the words “One-half of one,” and inserting in place thereof the word “Two;” by striking out, in line 2, the word “net,” and inserting in place thereof the word “gross;” and by striking out, in the same line, the word “tower,” and inserting in place thereof the word “corporation.”

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Hayes of Lowell, the amendments were adopted.

On the question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Miller, and the roll being called the House refused to order the bill to a third reading, by a vote of 85 yeas to 85 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ames, Butler	Messrs. Cluer, Arthur H.
Andrews, David B.	Cole, Samuel
Balcom, George	Conwell, Robert E.
Bartlett, Edwin	Corey, Charles V.
Battles, David W.	Crosby, Alfred R.
Bleiler, John	Crouch, Charles S.
Blood, Charles H.	Daly, William
Briggs, Clarence A.	Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
Brown, Henry L.	Donovan, Edward J.
Bullock, William J.	Estes, Eugene B.
Burgess, Albert H.	Feiker, William H.
Burrington, Lester L.	Fisher, George E.
Chandler, Leonard B.	Fitzgerald, William T. A.
Clerke, Charles S.	Flanagan, John J.

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Messrs. Folsom, Albert T.
 Foster, Frank A.
 Francis, Frank W.
 Gaddis, Michael E.
 Goulding, Albert M.
 Grant, Oliver S.
 Green, Thomas H.
 Hagberg, John G.
 Hancock, Portus B.
 Harvie, Robert B.
 Hawes, Martin E.
 Henderson, Francis D.
 Hooper, Franklin K.
 Howland, Charles W.
 Johnson, Charles R.
 Judd, William E.
 Kells, William, Jr.
 King, Charles F.
 King, Randolph V.
 Kyle, William S.
 Learoyd, Addison P.
 Leland, Francis
 Lomasney, Martin M.
 Lombard, Edward M.
 Luce, Robert
 Mahoney, David A.
 Marden, William H.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
 McIsaac, Daniel V.

Messrs. Miller, Charles H.
 Miller, William J.
 Minihan, Cornelius
 Minton, John M.
 Montgomery, James A.
 Murphy, Mortimer D.A.
 Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.
 Odlin, William
 Porter, Thomas F.
 Powers, John A.
 Queeney, James H.
 Reed, Silas D.
 Robinson, Lewis D.
 Rounseville, Albert
 Saunders, Charles R.
 Severance, Joseph C.
 Simmons, Arthur A.
 Spooner, Wallace
 Stewart, Joseph I.
 Stone, Silas A.
 Sullivan, Timothy F.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Twomey, Edmund J.
 Watson, Walter S.
 Weston, Walter S.
 Whipple, John J.
 Willard, Edward E.
 Williams, George F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.
 Adams, Charles H.
 Apsey, Albert S.
 Bresnahan, Hugh W.
 Bridgeo, William
 Brigham, William M.
 Brooks, Charles C.
 Bugbee, Nelson A.
 Campbell, Andrew
 Carey, James F.
 Chadwick, N. Henry
 Coolidge, Daniel S.
 Crosby, Aaron S.
 Crosby, J. Howell
 Cullinane, Richard
 Davenport, William A.
 Davis, Daniel W.
 Dean, George Z.

Messrs. Donahue, Thomas
 Donovan, Eugene E.
 Donovan, James H.
 Dooling, Thomas J.
 Drake, Frederic P.
 Dudley, George J.
 Dyer, George N.
 Eddy, Curtis
 Ellsworth, J. Lewis
 Farwell, Frederick W.
 Fitts, Frank E.
 Gartland, John J., Jr.
 Gilpatric, Fred C.
 Harlow, Franklin P.
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Harwood, Herbert J.
 Hayes, William H. I.
 Haywood, Charles E.

Messrs. Hopewell, William	Messrs. Ross, Samuel
Huntress, Franklin E.	Russell, Arthur P.
Kane, Daniel J.	Salter, William R.
Keyou, Nicholas B.	Scates, Louis M.
Leslie, George F.	Schofield, William
Litchfield, James A.	Selfridge, George S.
Love, Joseph P.	Shaw, Nathan W.
Lowe, John H.	Sheppard, Eben W.
Mackey, Thomas	Sisson, Robert S.
Mahony, Frederick C.	Smith, Allen F.
Marchant, Charles S.	Smith, Charles F. A.
Marchesseault, Eugene D.	Sparks, John T.
McCarthy, Jeremiah F.	Stanley, Benjamin F.
McLoughlin, William I.	Stone, Willmore B.
Mellen, James H.	Sullivan, Michael J.
Mills, Charles P.	Swift, William S.
Morse, Merrick A.	Tolman, William
Munroe, John P.	Toomey, John J.
Myers, James J.	Trow, Charles E.
Neal, David	Upson, Charles H.
Newton, H. Huestis	Varney, George E.
Parker, William C.	Wentworth, Edward E.
Quigley, William J.	Whall, Harry B.
Ramsdell, Charles H.	Whelan, John B.
Root, Albert B.	

85 yeas ; 85 nays.

The Bill to provide for part payment of taxes and of certain claims against cities and towns (House, No. 1006) was considered, the question being on concurring with the Senate in certain amendments.

After debate the House concurred in the amendment to section 1, inserting after the word "tax," in line 1, the words "excepting a poll-tax;" and non-concurred in the amendment to the same section, striking out, in line 7, the word "twenty-five," and inserting in place thereof the word "fifty," and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill relative to returns to be made to the Secretary of the Commonwealth by treasurers of political committees (Senate, No. 268) was read a third time, and the House refused to pass it to be engrossed, by a vote of 26 to 53.

The Bill relative to political committees and caucuses of political parties (House, No. 690) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Saunders of Boston moved to amend as follows : —

In section 1, by striking out, in line 34, the words “ of the passage of this act,” and inserting in place thereof the words “ when this act takes effect ; ”

In section 3, by inserting after the word “ committee,” in line 7, the words “ in cities ; ” and

In section 4, by striking out, in line 1, the words “ upon its passage,” and inserting in place thereof the words “ on the first day of July in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine.”

Mr. Minton of Boston moved to amend section 1 by striking out lines 33 to 36, inclusive, and inserting in place thereof the words “ The terms of office of members of all ward committees existing on the thirty-first day of December in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine shall expire on the first day of July in the year nineteen hundred.”

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, the amendment moved by Mr. Saunders to section 1 was adopted.

The amendment moved by Mr. Minton to the same section was rejected.

The remaining amendments moved by Mr. Saunders were severally adopted.

On the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and the roll being called the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The vote was 81 yeas to 42 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.

Ames, Butler

Andrews, David B.

Apsey, Albert S.

Battles, David W.

Bennett, Frank P.

Bleiler, John

Brigham, William M.

Burgess, Albert H.

Campbell, Andrew

Chandler, Leonard B.

Chase, Henry L.

Clerke, Charles S.

Messrs. Cluer, Arthur H.

Conwell, Robert E.

Coolidge, Daniel S.

Crosby, Aaron S.

Crosby, J. Howell

Crouch, Charles S.

Davis, William R.

Dean, George Z.

Drake, Frederic P.

Eddy, Curtis

Estes, Eugene B.

Farwell, Frederick W.

Feiker, William H.

Messrs. Fisher, George E.
 Folsom, Albert T.
 Foster, Frank A.
 Gilpatric, Fred C.
 Hagberg, John G.
 Harvie, Robert B.
 Hawes, Martin E.
 Haywood, Charles E.
 Heath, Guilford P.
 Hopewell, William
 Huntress, Franklin E.
 King, Randolph V.
 Kyle, William S.
 Litchfield, James A.
 Lombard, Edward M.
 Luce, Robert
 Marden, William H.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
 Miller, Calvin S.
 Miller, Charles H.
 Morse, Merrick A.
 Munroe, John P.
 Myers, James J.
 Neal, David
 Newton, H. Huestis
 Parker, William C.
 Powers, John A.
 Ramsdell, Charles H.

Messrs. Reed, Silas D.
 Robinson, Lewis D.
 Root, Albert B.
 Rounseville, Albert
 Russell, Arthur P.
 Salter, William R.
 Saunders, Charles R.
 Schofield, William
 Selfridge, George S.
 Severance, Joseph C.
 Simmons, Arthur A.
 Skinner, Henry R.
 Smith, Allen F.
 Smith, Charles F. A.
 Spooner, Wallace
 Stanley, Benjamin F.
 Stone, Silas A.
 Swift, William S.
 Tatman, Charles T.
 Tolman, William
 Trow, Charles E.
 Turtle, William
 Upson, Charles H.
 Varney, George E.
 Wallace, S. Ives
 Watson, Walter S.
 Whipple, John J.

NAYS.

Messrs. Balcom, George
 Bresnahan, Hugh W.
 Brooks, Charles C.
 Carey, James F.
 Currier, Guy W.
 Daly, William
 Davenport, William A.
 Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
 Donahue, Thomas
 Donovan, Edward J.
 Donovan, Eugene E.
 Donovan, James H.
 Dooling, Thomas J.
 Douglass, John J.
 Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
 Dyer, George N.
 Flanagan, John J.
 Gaddis, Michael E.

Messrs. Gartland, John J., Jr.
 Grant, Oliver S.
 Green, Thomas H.
 Kane, Daniel J.
 Kavenaugh, John E.
 King, Charles F.
 Lomasney, Martin M.
 Mahoney, David A.
 Mahony, Frederick C.
 Marchesseault, Eugene D.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Minton, John M.
 Moore, James S.
 Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
 Queeney, James H.
 Ross, Samuel
 Scates, Louis M.

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Sullivan, Michael J.	Twomey, Edmund J.
Sullivan, Timothy F.	Whelan, John B.

81 yeas ; 42 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs.Adams, Charles H.	Messrs.Fitzgerald, William T.A.*
Harwood, Herbert J.	McLoughlin, William I.*
Leland, Francis*	Conroy, Thomas A.
Lowe, John H.	Cullinane, Richard*
Turner, Henry E.*	Donovan, Michael J.
Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.	Bugbee, Nelson A.*
Burrington, Lester L.	Mackey, Thomas*
Porter, Thomas F.*	Dillon, Thomas J.
Dudley, George J.	Dean, Charles A.*
Briggs, Clarence A.	Montgomery, James A.*
Blood, Charles H.*	Toomey, John J.
Leslie, George F.*	Love, Joseph P.
Francis, Frank W.	Hancock, Portus B.*

* Present.

At eighteen minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 18, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock
A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Marden of Stoneham, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs be granted until Wednesday, April 26, to report upon matters referred to it previously to the second Wednesday in March. Committee on Military Affairs, — reports.

On motion of Mr. Salter of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service be granted until Wednesday, April 26, to report upon matters referred to it previously to the second Wednesday in March. Committee on Public Service, — reports.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Brown of Weston, petition of Rhoda Rosella Grant for an annuity from the treasury of the Commonwealth. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules. Rhoda Rosella Grant, — annuity.

By Mr. Crouch of Northampton, petition of the city council of the city of Northampton for legislation to provide for altering and rebuilding the highway bridge over the Connecticut River between the city of Northampton and the town of Hadley. Mr. Reed of Taunton moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules. Connecticut River, — bridge between Northampton and Hadley.

By Mr. Davis of Cambridge, petition of Cephas B. Crane and others that the sentence of expulsion passed against Roger Williams by the General Court of Massachusetts Bay in 1635 be revoked. Referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court. Roger Williams.

Papers from the Senate.

Unauthorized
structures.

A Bill relative to unauthorized structures in a city or town (Senate, No. 294) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 84), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Deceased persons, — allowance to widows and children.

The House Bill relative to the allowance to be paid in certain cases to the widow and children of a deceased person (House, No. 85) (its title having been changed by the Senate) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Placed in the orders of the day for Thursday, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

Nantasket
Beach, — public
reservation.

Petitions of W. A. Torrey and others, John Kelley and others and W. F. Woodsum and others, — severally, for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Reports of Committees.

County receipts
and expenditures.

By Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, from the committee on Counties, no further legislation necessary, on the estimates of county receipts and expenditures (House, No. 310).

Controller
of County
Accounts, —
annual report.

By Mr. Davis of Cambridge, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the twelfth annual report of the Controller of County Accounts (Pub. Doc. No. 29).

Contempt of
court.

By Mr. Turtle of Pittsfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 112) of Torrey E. Warner for legislation defining contempt of court, establishing the mode of procedure relating to the same and regulating and fixing the punishing therefor. [Messrs. Johnson of Worcester and Davenport of Greenfield, of the House, dissenting.]

Tax Commissioner, —
annual report.

By Mr. Newton of Everett, from the committee on Taxation, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Tax Commissioner (Pub. Doc. No. 16).

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Thursday.

By Mr. Turtle of Pittsfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for trial by jury in cases of contempt of court (House, No. 267) ought not to pass. Contempt of court.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to give to persons sentenced for contempt of court a right to trial by jury (House, No. 381) ought not to pass. Id.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to define the power of courts and magistrates to punish for contempt (House, No. 540) ought not to pass. [Messrs. Johnson of Worcester, Brigham of Marlborough and Davenport of Greenfield, of the House, dissenting.] Id.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to protect public parks, parkways and boulevards from disfigurement (House, No. 132) ought not to pass. [Messrs. Williams and Harwood, of the Senate, and Myers of Cambridge and Minton of Boston, of the House, dissenting.] Parks, — parkways and boulevards, — disfigurement.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Thursday, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve to provide for procuring a stained-glass window for Memorial Hall in the State House be referred to the next General Court. (House, No. 1111.) State House, — stained-glass window for Memorial Hall.

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide for the erection of tablets near the entrance to Memorial Hall in the State House be referred to the next General Court. (House, No. 1110.) State House, — tablets near Memorial Hall.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Thursday, the question, in each case, being on the reference of the resolve to the next General Court.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the committee on Ways and Means, on a communication from the Auditor of Accounts transmitting a supplementary report of expenditures in excess of appropriations in the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General during the year 1898, a Bill in further addition to an act making an appropriation for deficiencies in appropriations authorized in the year 1898. (House, No. 1113.) Appropriation bill.

Governors, —
portraits.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the same committee, that the Resolve to authorize the purchase of portraits of governors of the Commonwealth ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 1115.)

Street Railway
Mutual Insurance
Company.

By Mr. Whall of Boston, from the committee on Insurance, that the Bill (recommitted) to incorporate the Street Railway Mutual Insurance Company (House, No. 976) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 1117.)

Waltham, Ayer
and Pepperell
Street Railway
Company.

By Mr. Munroe of Worcester, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition (recommitted, with accompanying bill, House, No. 416), a Bill to incorporate the Waltham, Ayer and Pepperell Street Railway Company. (House, No. 1114.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Connecticut
River, — new
bridge between
Springfield
and West
Springfield.

By Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, from the committee on Counties on the part of the House, that the Bill to provide for the construction of a new bridge across the Connecticut River between the city of Springfield and the town of West Springfield ought to pass. (House, No. 1116.)

City of Boston,
— additional
associate
justices of
municipal court.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill to provide for two additional associate justices of the municipal court of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 237) ought to pass.

District Court
of Central
Berkshire, —
salary of justice.

By Mr. Davis of Cambridge, from the same committee, that the Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the District Court of Central Berkshire (Senate, No. 217) ought to pass.

Police court of
Brockton, —
salary of
justice.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of the city of Brockton (Senate, No. 261) ought to pass.

Town of
Winthrop, —
shore road.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to authorize the town of Winthrop to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of constructing, in conjunction with the Metropolitan Park Commission, a shore road, ought to pass. (House, No. 1112.)

Mystic River, —
Wellington
Bridge between
Somerville and
Medford.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the same committee, that the Bill to authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to construct a bridge across the Mystic River between the city of Somerville and that part of the

city of Medford known as Wellington (House, No. 281) ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Thursday for a second reading.

By Mr. Farwell of Boston, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 225), a Bill to provide for building and repairing certain bridges and breakwaters in the town of Scituate.

Town of Scituate, — bridges and breakwaters.

By Mr. Schofield of Malden, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, on so much of the Governor's address (Senate, No. 1) as relates to the Metropolitan District, a Bill relative to the Boston Transit Commission.

Boston Transit Commission.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 404), a Bill relative to the Metropolitan Park Commission.

Metropolitan Park Commission.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Motions to Reconsider.

Mr. Miller of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to incorporate the Marine Park Tower Company (House, No. 1071), which motion, after debate, was postponed for consideration until Wednesday, April 26, to be placed first in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Marine Park Tower Company.

Mr. Andrews of Nantucket moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill for the protection of blue fish and striped bass in the county of Nantucket (House, No. 175), which motion, after debate, was lost.

County of Nantucket, — fisheries.

Mr. Newton of Everett moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to pass to be engrossed, in concurrence, the Bill relative to returns to be made to the Secretary of the Commonwealth by treasurers of political committees (Senate, No. 268), which motion was postponed for consideration until Friday next, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Political committees, — returns.

Mr. Russell of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, adopted the order author-

Committee on Manufactures, — persons and papers.

izing the committee on Manufactures to send for persons and papers in connection with its consideration of the fourteenth annual report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, which motion, after debate, was lost, by a vote of 27 to 70.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to animals affected with contagious diseases ;
To establish a fire department in the town of Nantucket ;

To authorize the town of Wellesley to incur indebtedness for park purposes ;

To authorize the town of Melrose to appropriate a sum of money for celebrating the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the incorporation of the town of Malden ;

To authorize the Northampton and Amherst Street Railway Company to construct a bridge across the Connecticut River between the city of Northampton and the town of Hadley ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Relative to grade crossings in the city of Haverhill (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

Military aid.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Saugus, the Bill relative to military aid (House, No. 1080) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Thursday next, on further motion of the same gentleman.

State aid.

On motion of Mr. Simmons of Grafton, the Bill relative to State aid (House, No. 1081) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Thursday next, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 162) of Henry D. Yeaton for the repeal of the act to improve the civil service of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof, was accepted and sent up for concurrence. Orders of the day.

The Bill to require street railway companies to enclose the platforms of cars during certain months of the year (House, No. 493) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill making appropriations for the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary for repairs and improvements at certain institutions and for certain other expenses authorized by law (House, No. 1102); and

The Resolve in favor of Norman Y. Brintnall (House, No. 1089);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To authorize the city of Fitchburg to incur indebtedness for hospital buildings beyond the limit fixed by law (Senate, No. 293); and

To authorize an exchange of land in Waltham by the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded (printed as House, No. 874); and

Resolves:

In favor of Samuel T. Davis (Senate, No. 229); and

To dispose of the material of the educational museum (Senate, No. 284) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the replacing of street-car tracks on Boylston and Tremont streets in the city of Boston (House, No. 1002) was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Munroe of Worcester, it was voted that speeches be limited to fifteen minutes each.

Mr. Toomey of Boston moved to amend by striking out section 3 and inserting in place thereof the follow-

ing: "*Section 3.* This act shall be submitted to the voters of the city of Boston at the State election in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, and shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority of said voters at the said election."

Mr. Chandler of Somerville moved to amend the amendment moved by Mr. Toomey by striking out the words "city of Boston," and inserting in place thereof the words "cities of Boston, Cambridge, Somerville, Chelsea, Everett, Newton, Malden and Medford and the towns of Brookline, Arlington, Watertown and Belmont."

Mr. Dean of Wakefield moved to amend by striking out section 3 and inserting in place thereof the following: "*Section 3.* This act shall not take effect until the companies named in section 1 shall file with the auditor of the city of Boston an agreement, under seal, to the effect that said companies shall pay to the treasurer of the city of Boston for the use of said city, a toll of five cents upon each car making a single passage in either direction over the tracks hereby authorized to be replaced or any part thereof; and this act shall not take effect unless it shall be accepted by the voters of said city at the State election in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine."

Mr. Saunders of Boston moved to amend by striking out section 3 and inserting in place thereof the following: "*Section 3.* This act shall not take effect until the companies named in section 1 shall file with the auditor of the city of Boston an agreement, under seal, to the effect that, for the purpose of determining the amount of toll to be paid by said companies to said city under the contract dated December 7, 1896, between the city of Boston, acting by the Boston Transit Commission, and the West End Street Railway Company, all cars running over the surface tracks hereby authorized to be replaced, shall be considered as cars running through the subway under said contract. But nothing herein shall be construed to affect the provisions of the contract entered into between the Boston Elevated Railway Company and the city of Boston, dated December 15, 1897; and this act shall not take effect unless it shall be accepted by the voters of said city at the State election in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine."

After debate Mr. Hawes of Weymouth moved that

debate be closed at half-past three o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached.

Mr. Fitts moved to amend the motion by adding at the end thereof the words "and that speeches be limited to five minutes each."

The amendment was adopted, by a vote of 85 to 40, and the motion of Mr. Hawes, as amended, was adopted.

After further debate the amendment moved by Mr. Chandler to the amendment moved by Mr. Toomey was rejected, and the amendment moved by Mr. Toomey was rejected, by a vote of 49 to 95.

On the amendment moved by Mr. Dean, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of that gentleman, and the roll being called the amendment was rejected, by a vote of 83 yeas to 99 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ainsworth, Wilfred
Andrews, David B.
Battles, David W.
Bleiler, John
Bresnahan, Hugh W.
Briggs, Clarence A.
Bugbee, Nelson A.
Burrington, Lester L.
Bushnell, S. Hopkins
Carey, James F.
Chapple, William D.
Chase, Henry L.
Cluer, Arthur H.
Conroy, Thomas A.
Cook, Clifford A.
Currier, Guy W.
Dalton J. Frank
Daly, William
Davis, Daniel W.
Dean, Charles A.
Donahue, Thomas
Donovan, Eugene E.
Dooling, Thomas J.
Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
Dudley, George J.
Dyer, George N.
Ellsworth, J. Lewis
Farwell, Frederick W.
Feiker, William H.
Francis, Frank W.

Messrs. Gilpatric, Fred C.
Goulding, Albert M.
Grimes, James W.
Hancock, Portus B.
Haskins, Leander M.
Hawes, Martin E.
Haywood, Charles E.
Heath, Guilford P.
Hooper, Franklin K.
Keith, Charles P.
Keyou, Nicholas B.
King, Charles F.
King, Randolph V.
Kyle, William S.
Leland, Francis
Libby, John F.
Lockhart, Alexander
Love, Joseph P.
Lowe, John H.
Mahony, Frederick C.
Marchant, Charles S.
Marchesseault, Eugene D.
McLoughlin, William I.
Miller, William J.
Munroe, John P.
Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
Neal, David
Persons, Charles H.
Porter, Thomas F.
Puffer, Herbert C.

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Messrs. Robinson, Lewis D.
 Ross, Samuel
 Rounseville, Albert
 Russell, Arthur P.
 Salter, William R.
 Saunders, Charles R.
 Scates, Louis M.
 Selfridge, George S.
 Serverance, Joseph C.
 Simmons, Arthur A.
 Sisson, Robert S.
 Smith, Allen F.

Messrs. Spooner, Wallace
 Stone, Willmore B.
 Sullivan, Timothy F.
 Swift, William S.
 Tatman, Charles T.
 Toomey, John J.
 Turtle, William
 Wallace, S. Ives
 Wheeler, William D.
 Whelan, John B.
 Willard, Edward E.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles H.
 Ames, Butler
 Andrews, Richard F., Jr.
 Apsey, Albert S.
 Balcom, George
 Bartlett, Edwin
 Blood, Charles H.
 Boylston, Ward N.
 Brigham, William M.
 Brooks, Charles C.
 Brown, Henry L.
 Brown, Willard M.
 Burgess, Albert H.
 Chadwick, N. Henry
 Chandler, Leonard B.
 Clerke, Charles S.
 Cole, Samuel
 Conwell, Robert E.
 Corey, Charles V.
 Crosby, Aaron S.
 Crosby, Alfred R.
 Crosby, J. Howell
 Cullinane, Richard
 Davis, William R.
 Dean, George Z.
 Dillon, Thomas J.
 Donovan, James H.
 Donovan, Michael J.
 Douglass, John J.
 Dumond, John B.
 Eddy, Curtis
 Fitts, Frank E.
 Fitzgerald, William T. A.
 Flanagan, John J.
 Folsom, Albert T.
 Foster, Frank A.

Messrs. Gaddis, Michael E.
 Gartland, John J., Jr.
 Grant, Oliver S.
 Green, Thomas H.
 Hagberg, John G.
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Harvie, Robert B.
 Harwood, Herbert J.
 Hayes, William H. I.
 Hopewell, William
 Howard, Robert
 Huntress, Franklin E.
 Jones, Michael B.
 Judd, William E.
 Kane, Daniel J.
 Kells, William, Jr.
 Lanergan, John P.
 Leslie, George F.
 Litchfield, James A.
 Lomasney, Martin M.
 Luce, Robert
 Mahoney, David A.
 Marden, William H.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
 McIsaac, Daniel V.
 Mead, Edward C.
 Miller, Calvin S.
 Miller, Charles H.
 Minihan, Cornelius
 Minton, John M.
 Montgomery, James A.
 Moore, James S.
 Morrison, Andrew H.
 Myers, James J.
 Parker, William C.

Messrs.Pike, William T.
Powers, John A.
Prindle, John F.
Queeney, James H.
Ramsdell, Charles H.
Reed, Silas D.
Root, Albert B.
Ross, Leonard W.
Schofield, William
Seavey, James F.
Shaw, Nathan W.
Sheppard, Eben W.
Skinner, Henry R.
Smith, Charles F. A.

Messrs.Smith, Charles G.
Sparks, John T.
Stanley, Benjamin F.
Stewart, Joseph I.
Stone, Silas A.
Sullivan, Michael J.
Toland, John I.
Trow, Charles E.
Turner, Henry E.
Twomey, Edmund J.
Weston, Walter S.
Whall, Harry B.
Whipple, John J.

83 yeas ; 99 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.

Messrs.Hunt, James
Sprague, Eugene H.*
Skillings, William E.
Crouch, Charles S.*
Ray, Albert H.
Campbell, Andrew*
Favor, John*
Lombard, Edward M.*
Horton, Henry T.*
Bridgeo, William*
Williams, George F.
Mills, Charles P.*
Davenport, William A.*
Kavanaugh, John E.*

NAYS.

Messrs.Tolman, William*
Harwood, George F.
Newton, H. Huestis*
Coolidge, Daniel S.
Henderson, Francis D.*
Bennett, Frank P.
Langford, John T.
Stalker, Hugh L.
Adams, Austin F.
Harvell, Elisha T.
Litchfield, William C.*
Paton, Alexander S.
Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
Newton, Phinehas S.

* Present.

On the amendment moved by Mr. Saunders, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of that gentleman, and the roll being called the amendment was rejected, by a vote of 92 yeas to 95 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs.Andrews, David B.
Battles, David W.
Bleiler, John
Blood, Charles H.

Messrs.Bresnahan, Hugh W.
Briggs, Clarence A.
Brigham, William M.
Bugbee, Nelson A.

Messrs. Burgess, Albert H.
 Burrington, Lester L.
 Bushnell, S. Hopkins
 Carey, James F.
 Chapple, William D.
 Chase, Henry L.
 Cluer, Arthur H.
 Cook, Clifford A.
 Crosby, Alfred R.
 Currier, Guy W.
 Daly, William
 Davis, Daniel W.
 Dean, Charles A.
 Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
 Dudley, George J.
 Dyer, George N.
 Ellsworth, J. Lewis
 Favor, John
 Feiker, William H.
 Fisher, George E.
 Francis, Frank W.
 Gilpatric, Fred C.
 Goulding, Albert M.
 Grimes, James W.
 Hancock, Portus B.
 Haskins, Leander M.
 Hawes, Martin E.
 Haywood, Charles E.
 Heath, Guilford P.
 Hooper, Franklin K.
 Hopewell, William
 Horton, Henry T.
 Judd, William E.
 Kavenaugh, John E.
 Keith, Charles P.
 Keyou, Nicholas B.
 King, Charles F.
 King, Randolph V.
 Kyle, William S.
 Leland, Francis
 Leslie, George F.
 Libby, John F.

Messrs. Lockhart, Alexander
 Lombard, Edward M.
 Love, Joseph P.
 Lowe, John H.
 Mahony, Frederick C.
 Marchant, Charles S.
 Marchesseault, Eugene D.
 McLoughlin, William I.
 Mead, Edward C.
 Miller, William J.
 Moore, James S.
 Munroe, John P.
 Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
 Neal, David
 Persons, Charles H.
 Porter, Thomas F.
 Puffer, Herbert C.
 Robinson, Lewis D.
 Ross, Samuel
 Rounseville, Albert
 Salter, William R.
 Saunders, Charles R.
 Scates, Louis M.
 Selfridge, George S.
 Severance, Joseph C.
 Sheppard, Eben W.
 Simmons, Arthur A.
 Sisson, Robert S.
 Smith, Allen F.
 Smith, Charles G.
 Spooner, Wallace
 Stone, Willmore B.
 Sullivan, Timothy F.
 Swift, William S.
 Tatman, Charles T.
 Toomey, John J.
 Turtle, William
 Wallace, S. Ives
 Weston, Walter S.
 Wheeler, William D.
 Whelan, John B.
 Willard, Edward E.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles H.
 Ainsworth, Wilfred
 Ames, Butler
 Andrews, Richard F., Jr.
 Apsey, Albert S.
 Balcom, George
 Bartlett, Edwin

Messrs. Boylston, Ward N.
 Brooks, Charles C.
 Brown, Henry L.
 Brown, Willard M.
 Chadwick, N. Henry
 Chandler, Leonard B.
 Clerke, Charles S.

Messrs. Cole, Samuel
 Conwell, Robert E.
 Corey, Charles V.
 Crosby, Aaron S.
 Crosby, J. Howell
 Cullinane, Richard
 Davis, William R.
 Dean, George Z.
 Dillon, Thomas J.
 Donahue, Thomas
 Donovan, Eugene E.
 Donovan, James H.
 Donovan, Michael J.
 Douglass, John J.
 Dumond, John B.
 Eddy, Curtis
 Farwell, Frederick W.
 Fitts, Frank E.
 Fitzgerald, William T. A.
 Flanagan, John J.
 Folsom, Albert T.
 Foster, Frank A.
 Gaddis, Michael E.
 Gartland, John J., Jr.
 Grant, Oliver S.
 Green, Thomas H.
 Hagberg, John G.
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Harvie, Robert B.
 Harwood, Herbert J.
 Hayes, William H. I.
 Howard, Robert
 Huntress, Franklin E.
 Jones, Michael B.
 Kane, Daniel J.
 Kells, William, Jr.
 Lanergan, John P.
 Litchfield, James A.
 Lomasney, Martin M.
 Luce, Robert
 Mahoney, David A.

Messrs. Marden, William H.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
 McIsaac, Daniel V.
 Mellen, James H.
 Miller, Calvin S.
 Miller, Charles H.
 Minihan, Cornelius
 Minton, John M.
 Montgomery, James A.
 Morrison, Andrew H.
 Myers, James J.
 Odlin, William
 Parker, William C.
 Pike, William T.
 Powers, John A.
 Prindle, John F.
 Queeney, James H.
 Ramsdell, Charles H.
 Reed, Silas D.
 Root, Albert B.
 Ross, Leonard W.
 Russell, Arthur P.
 Schofield, William
 Seavey, James F.
 Shaw, Nathan W.
 Skinner, Henry R.
 Smith, Charles F. A.
 Sparks, John T.
 Stanley, Benjamin F.
 Stewart, Joseph I.
 Stone, Silas A.
 Sullivan, Michael J.
 Toland, John I.
 Trow, Charles E.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Twomey, Edmund J.
 Watson, Walter S.
 Whall, Harry B.
 Whipple, John J.

92 yeas ; 95 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Skillings, William E.
 Sprague, Eugene H.*

NAYS.

Messrs. Newton, H. Huestis*
 Harwood, George F.

* Present.

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YEAS.

Messrs. Hunt, James
Crouch, Charles S.*
Ray, Albert H.
Campbell, Andrew*
Davenport, William A.*
Williams, George F.
Bridgeo, William*

NAYS.

Messrs. Tolman, William*
Coolidge, Daniel S.
Henderson, Francis D.*
Bennett, Frank P.
Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
Litchfield, William C.*
Harvell, Elisha T.

* Present.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 103 to 76, and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, at twenty-three minutes past four o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 20, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock
A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, petition of George R. Jones, George L. Morse and others ; by Mr. Brown of Weston, petition of Francis Blake, David W. Lane and others ; by Mr. Crosby of Arlington, petition of William E. Parmenter, Charles S. Parker and others ; by Mr. Drake of Canton, petitions of Amos L. Hollingsworth, J. Henry Brooks and others and Thomas E. Grover, Joshua P. Bodfish and others ; by Mr. Keyou of Medford, petition of Parker R. Litchfield, Edward A. Grout and others ; by Mr. Luce of Somerville, petition of H. M. Moore, John W. F. Barnes and others ; by Mr. Marden of Stoneham, petition of Wilson A. Bartlett, Charlie A. Jones and others ; by Mr. Minihan of Cambridge, petition of Thomas Scully, Thomas Wentworth Higginson and others ; by Mr. Neal of Dedham, petition of David Neal, John H. Burdakin and others ; by Mr. Saunders of Boston, petition of Cora L. Turner, Susan L. Williams and others ; and by Mr. Skinner of Watertown, petition of Winthrop L. Chenery, Samuel P. Gleason and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation.

Nantasket
Beach, — public
reservation.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

By Mr. Estes of Brockton, petition of Seth L. French and others in aid of the petition for legislation to provide for a record of the Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the war of the rebellion. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
certain records.

By Mr. Marchesseault of Spencer, petition of R. E. Smith and others in aid of the petition for legislation to

Transportation
companies, —
weekly rest-day
for employees.

provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies. To the committee on Probate and Insolvency. Severally sent up for concurrence.

Town of South
Hadley, —
annual meeting.

By Mr. Fisher of Amherst, petition of George E. Fisher for legislation to confirm the acts of the town of South Hadley at its annual meeting in the year 1899. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Public schools,
— studies;
physiology
and hygiene.

Mr. Marchesseault of Spencer presented a remonstrance of R. E. Smith and others against the passage of the Bill relative to studies in the public schools, and petition of the same in aid of the petition for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the public schools, and the same was placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

Joint commit-
tee on the
Judiciary, —
reports.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Ordered, That the time within which the joint committee on the Judiciary shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, April 26.

Bills :

Town of
Framingham, —
street-watering.

To authorize the town of Framingham to appropriate money to pay certain expenses incurred for street-watering in the year 1898 (Senate, No. 273) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, House, No. 788) ;

Towns, — wires.

Relative to the regulation and supervision of wires over streets and buildings in towns (Senate, No. 296) (reported on petitions, with accompanying bills, House, Nos. 733 and 800) ; and

Massachusetts
Hospital for
Dipsomaniacs
and Inebriates,
— discharges.

Relative to discharges from the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates (Senate, No. 299) (new draft of a bill, House, No. 645, introduced on leave) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reports of Committees.

City of
Medford, —
assistant
assessors.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the appointment of assistant assessors in the city of Medford. Read and considered,

under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers of Cambridge, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill (House, No. 1119) was referred to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of George H. Carleton for an act of incorporation of the trustees of the Haverhill Young Men's Christian Association. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Haverhill
Young Men's
Christian
Association.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of John S. Rich and others for legislation to incorporate the West Sutton Cemetery Association. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1120) was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

West Sutton
Cemetery
Association.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Toomey of Boston, from the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 604) of Henry Abrahams for legislation to exempt labor organizations from certain provisions of the law relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Labor organiza-
tions.

By Mr. Toomey of Boston, from the committee on Insurance, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to allow labor organizations and trades unions to pay sick and death benefits (House, No. 447) ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Labor organiza-
tions and trades
unions, — sick
and death
benefits.

By Mr. Luce of Somerville, from the committee on Insurance, on petitions (with accompanying bills, Senate, Nos. 6 and 14 and House, Nos. 482, 484 and 485) and on a bill introduced on leave (House, No. 198), a Bill relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations. (House, No. 1118.)

Fraternal bene-
ficiary organiza-
tions.

By Mr. Toomey of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to exempt certain trades unions from

Trades unions.

the laws relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations. (House, No. 469.) [Mr. Whittlesey, of the Senate, and Messrs. Luce of Somerville and Tatman of Worcester, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to special administrators ;

Relative to the establishment of textile schools ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex ;

To authorize the city of Fall River to incur indebtedness for a textile school beyond the limit fixed by law ;

To authorize the city of Boston to incur indebtedness outside the debt limit for the purpose of continuing the construction of its public parks ;

Relative to the placing of officers upon the retired list ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the town of Wareham to take certain land for a public park ; and

To ratify and confirm the laying out, widening and altering of certain streets, ways and highways, and the laying out of special spaces therein for the use of street railway companies, in the town of Milton ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed.

Engrossed resolves :

To provide a building for a practice school in connection with the State Normal School at Westfield ; and

Directing the Board of Railroad Commissioners to investigate and report upon the rates charged by railroads within the Commonwealth for the transportation of passengers, bicycles and baggage ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

Forest survey.

On motions of Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, the Resolve to provide for the survey of forest lands and waste unused areas of the Commonwealth (printed as House, No. 124)

was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and recommitted to the committee on Ways and Means, pending the question on its reference to the next General Court, as recommended by that committee.

On motions of Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, the Resolve to provide for procuring a stained-glass window for Memorial Hall in the State House (House, No. 1111) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and recommitted to the committee on Ways and Means, pending the question on its reference to the next General Court, as recommended by that committee.

State House, —
stained-glass
window for
Memorial Hall.

On motion of Mr. Lomasney of Boston, the Bill relative to the building laws of the city of Boston (House, No. 1092) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was laid on the table, on further motion of the same gentleman.

City of Boston,
— building
laws.

On motions of Mr. Haskins of Rockport, the Bill to protect public parks, parkways and boulevards from disfigurement (House, No. 132) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Parks, park-
ways and boule-
vards, — dis-
figurement.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Springfield, the Bill to provide for the construction of a new bridge across the Connecticut River between the city of Springfield and the town of West Springfield (House, No. 1116) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was laid on the table, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Connecticut
River, — bridge
between Spring-
field and West
Springfield.

On motions of Mr. Carey of Haverhill, the Bill to prevent coercion of employees (House, No. 565) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Monday next, pending the question on concurring with the Senate in an amendment.

Labor, —
coercion of
employees.

On further motions of Mr. Carey, the Bill to give to persons sentenced for contempt of court a right to trial

Contempt of
court.

by jury (House, No. 381) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Street railway
companies, —
assessments
and locations.

On motions of Mr. Odlin of Andover, the Bill relative to the rate of excise to be assessed upon and the revocation of locations of street railway companies (House, No. 759) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Counties, no legislation necessary, on the twelfth annual report of the Controller of County Accounts (Pub. Doc. No. 29) ;

Of the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the estimates of county receipts and expenditures (House, No. 310) ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Tax Commissioner (Pub. Doc. No. 16) ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendment to the House Bill relative to the allowance to be paid in certain cases to the widow and children of a deceased person (House, No. 85), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendments to the House Bill to provide for the retirement of justices of the Supreme Judicial Court and of the Superior Court (House, No. 546), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill to provide for trial by jury in cases of contempt of court (House, No. 267) was rejected, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Resolve to provide for the erection of tablets near the entrance to Memorial Hall in the State House (House,

No. 1110) was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills :

Relative to the hours of labor of women and minors (House, No. 167) ;

To transfer the duties of the water commission of the city of Newburyport to the city council of said city (House, No. 229) ;

Relative to public warehousemen and other depositaries (House, No. 1109) ;

To authorize the town of Winthrop to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of constructing, in conjunction with the Metropolitan Park Commission, a shore road (House, No. 1112) ;

In further addition to an act making an appropriation for deficiencies in appropriations authorized in the year 1898 (House, No. 1113) ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the District Court of Central Berkshire (Senate, No. 217) ;

To provide for two additional associate justices of the municipal court of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 237) ; and

To relieve the receivers of the Hampshire Savings Bank of Northampton from the payment of a certain tax (Senate, No. 291) ; and

The Resolve to authorize the purchase of portraits of governors of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1115) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve relative to the distribution of the Massachusetts Military and Naval History (House, No. 1074) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to orders, rules and regulations made by the State Board of Health or by the Metropolitan Water Board (Senate, No. 208) ; and

Relative to certain suits for damages for property taken by the Metropolitan Water Board (Senate, No. 288) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the equalization of tax burdens (House, No. 598) was considered, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

After debate Mr. Adams of Melrose moved that the House take a recess until two o'clock, which motion was adopted, and accordingly, at fourteen minutes before one o'clock, the House took a recess.

On the reassembling of the House it was voted, on motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, that debate be closed at quarter past three o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached.

After debate the yeas and nays were ordered, on the question on the rejection of the bill, at the request of Mr. Luce of Somerville, and the roll being called the bill was rejected, as recommended by the committee, by a vote of 105 yeas to 68 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.	Messrs. Drake, Frederick P.
Adams, Charles H.	Ellsworth, J. Lewis
Ames, Butler	Fisher, George E.
Apsey, Albert S.	Fitzgerald, William T. A.
Bartlett, Edwin	Folsom, Albert T.
Blood, Charles H.	Foster, Frank A.
Brooks, Charles C.	Gilpatric, Fred C.
Brown, Henry L.	Grimes, James W.
Bugbee, Nelson A.	Hagberg, John G.
Burgess, Albert H.	Harriman, Charles H.
Burrington, Lester L.	Harwood, Herbert J.
Campbell, Andrew	Hawes, Martin E.
Carleton, George H.	Hayes, William H. I.
Chadwick, N. Henry	Haywood, Charles E.
Clerke, Charles S.	Henderson, Francis D.
Cluer, Arthur H.	Hooper, Franklin K.
Cole, Samuel	Howland, Charles W.
Conwell, Robert E.	Hunt, James
Cook, Clifford A.	Johnson, Charles R.
Corey, Charles V.	Kells, William, Jr.
Crosby, Aaron S.	Keyou, Nicholas B.
Crosby, Alfred R.	King, Charles F.
Crosby, J. Howell	Kyle, William S.
Davenport, William A.	Langford, John T.
Davis, William R.	Leland, Francis
Dewey, Frank S., Jr.	Leslie, George F.
Donovan, Edward J.	Libby, John F.
Donovan, James H.	Litchfield, William C.

Messrs. Lomasney, Martin M.	Messrs. Russell, Arthur P.
Lombard, Edward M.	Saunders, Charles R.
Love, Joseph P.	Schofield, William
Mackey, Thomas	Seavey, James F.
Mahony, Frederick C.	Selfridge, George S.
Marchesseault, Eugene D.	Simmons, Arthur A.
McCarthy, Jeremiah F.	Skinner, Henry R.
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.	Smith, Allen F.
Mellen, James H.	Smith, Charles F. A.
Miller, Calvin S.	Stanley, Benjamin F.
Miller, Charles H.	Stone, Silas A.
Minihan, Cornelius	Stone, Willmore B.
Minton, John M.	Sullivan, Michael J.
Neal, David	Tatman, Charles T.
Newton, H. Huestis	Tolman, William
Newton, Phinehas S.	Trow, Charles E.
Odlin, William	Turner, Henry E.
Parker, William C.	Twombly, Horatio F.
Paton, Alexander S.	Varney, George E.
Persons, Charles H.	Watson, Walter S.
Porter, Thomas F.	Wentworth, Edward E.
Powers, John A.	Weston, Walter S.
Puffer, Herbert C.	Willard, Edward E.
Queeney, James H.	Williams, George F.
Robinson, Lewis D.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Ainsworth, Wilfred	Messrs. Estes, Eugene B.
Andrews, David B.	Feiker, William H.
Balcom, George	Fitts, Frank E.
Battles, David W.	Francis, Frank W.
Bennett, Frank P.	Goulding, Albert M.
Bleiler, John	Green, Thomas H.
Bresnahan, Hugh W.	Hancock, Portus B.
Briggs, Clarence A.	Harlow, Franklin P.
Brigham, William M.	Harvell, Elisha T.
Brown, Willard M.	Harvie, Robert B.
Bullock, William J.	Harwood, George F.
Bushnell, S. Hopkins	Heath, Guilford P.
Chandler, Leonard B.	Horton, Henry T.
Currier, Guy W.	Howard, Robert
Daly, William	Jones, Michael B.
Davis, Daniel W.	Kane, Daniel J.
Dean, Charles A.	Litchfield, James A.
Dillon, Thomas J.	Lockhart, Alexander
Donovan, Eugene E.	Lowe, John H.
Dooling, Thomas J.	Luce, Robert
Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d	Marchant, Charles S.
Dyer, George N.	Mead, Edward C.
Eddy, Curtis	Moore, James S.

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Messrs. Morrison, Andrew H.	Messrs. Shaw, Nathan W.
Murphy, Mortimer D.A.	Smith, Charles G.
Myers, James J.	Sprague, Eugene H.
Pike, William T.	Stalker, Hugh L.
Ramsdell, Charles H.	Sullivan, Timothy F.
Ray, Albert H.	Toland, John I.
Reed, Silas D.	Toomey, John J.
Root, Albert B.	Upson, Charles H.
Ross, Leonard W.	Wallace, S. Ives
Salter, William R.	Wheeler, William D.
Severance, Joseph C.	Whelan, John B.

105 yeas ; 68 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Flanagan, John J.*	Messrs. Cullinane, Richard
McLoughlin, William I.	Donahue, Thomas*
Chapple, William D.	Ross, Samuel*
Dalton, J. Frank*	Huntress, Franklin E.
Dean, Benjamin C.	Hopewell, William*
McIsaac, Daniel V.*	Marden, William H.
Mills, Charles P.*	Swift, William S.
Munroe, John P.*	White, Horace C.
Howland, Willard*	Carey, James F.
Bridgeo, William*	Lanergan, John P.
Dudley, George J.*	Scates, Louis M.

* Present.

The Bill relative to caucuses and elections (Senate, No. 257) was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Newton of Everett moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in lines 6 and 12, the words “a ward or town committee,” and inserting in place thereof, in each case, the word “it.”

The amendments were adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and was sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

The Bill to provide for the construction of a high-level gravity sewer for the relief of the Charles and Neponset River valleys (House, No. 1085) was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third read-

ing, it was postponed for consideration until Monday, on motion of Mr. Smith of Waltham.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on an order instructing said committee to investigate the question of the ownership and control by the Commonwealth of telegraph and telephone lines, that a report on such an important and far-reaching proposition which would be of any value to this Legislature, or which the members of the committee would care to endorse, could only be made after an exhaustive investigation, and asking for further instructions, was considered.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lowell, the committee was discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and the report was sent to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill relative to military aid (House, No. 1080) was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Bennett of Saugus, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading.

The Bill relative to State aid (House, No. 1081) was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Simmons of Grafton, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the duties of assessors in the city of Boston (House, No. 1009) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 1091).

On motion of Mr. Saunders of Boston, the bill recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading was amended, in section 1, by striking out, in lines 6 and 38, the words "their assistants," and inserting in place thereof, in each case, the words "the assistant assessors;" and by striking out, in lines 10 and 41, the words "their assistants," and inserting in place thereof, in each case, the words "assistant assessors."

Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in lines 5 and 37, the word "Boston," and inserting in place thereof, in each case, the words "all cities and towns in the Commonwealth," which amendments, after debate, were rejected.

The bill recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, as amended, was then substituted and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the licensing of engineers and firemen (House, No. 1093) was read a second time and considered.

On motion of Mr. Kyle of Plymouth, the bill was amended, in section 3, by striking out, in lines 10 and 11, the words "have charge of and;" and by striking out, in line 12, the words "to operate boilers only. Third."

Mr. Odlin of Andover moved to amend section 1 by striking out lines 21 to 27, inclusive, which amendment, after debate, was rejected, by a vote of 35 to 39.

Mr. Odlin raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 104 members were present.

On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

On the appearance of a quorum the question was again put, and the amendment was rejected, by a vote of 48 to 53, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the establishing of two polling places for caucuses in each of certain wards in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 287) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Saunders of Boston moved to amend section 2 by striking out, in line 8, the word "city," and inserting in place thereof the word "ward."

Pending the amendment and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading,

At half-past four o'clock, under the standing order, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 21, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following petitions were severally presented and referred : —

By Mr. Dean of Wakefield, petition of Eugene S. Hinckley, Samuel W. Abbott and others; by Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petitions of George A. Dalrymple, A. Wallace Anderson and others and Thomas Strahan, Alfred C. Converse and others; and by Mr. Libby of Medford, petition of Ferdinand F. French, John W. Suter and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation.

Nantasket Beach, — public reservation.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition of Frank L. Clark and others in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies. To the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Transportation companies, — weekly rest-day for employees.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Federal Relations shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, May 3.

Committee on Federal Relations, — reports.

A report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 183) of R. H. Hinkley, Jr., that he and his associates may be incorporated as a street rail-

R. H. Hinkley, Jr., — street railway company.

way company, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Committee of
conference;
taxes and
claims, — part
payment.

The House Bill to provide for part payment of taxes and of certain claims against cities and towns (House, No. 1006) came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendment to section 1, at "B," striking out, in line 7, the word "twenty-five," and inserting in place thereof the word "fifty," asked for a committee of conference and that Messrs. Dallinger, Hodgkins and Patch had been appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Newton of Everett, the House insisted on its non-concurrence and concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference. Messrs. Newton of Everett, Dean of Wakefield and Porter of Lynn were appointed the committee on the part of the House, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Lowell Textile
School.

The House Resolve in favor of the Lowell Textile School (House, No. 1046) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Watson of Lowell, and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Nantasket
Beach, —
public reserva-
tion.

Petitions of Frank L. Earl, Edmund B. Johnson and others, Michael Anagnos, Louise Chandler Moulton and others, Daniel L. Furber, Albert Metcalf and others, Ingalls and Kendrick, Richard C. Humphreys and others, George H. Payne, H. L. Burrell and others, Thomas Gaffield, William S. Butler & Company and others, Ginn & Company, B. F. Larrabee & Company and others, E. Winchester Donald, William P. Wesselhoeft and others, I. Tisdale Talbot, Hasket Derby and others, Albert Gay, Harris C. Hale and others, Henry Lloyd, Leonard A. Jones and others, J. A. and W. Bird & Company and others and Henry White, Thomas A. Addison and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Minton of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 774) of William A. Davenport for legislation to make counties, cities and towns liable for the negligence of public officers.

Public officers,
— negligence.

By Mr. Williams of Foxborough, from the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 303) of Walter L. Sears for legislation to require the city of Boston to furnish water for domestic purposes without charge and to provide a more equitable method of supporting and maintaining the water department of said city.

City of Boston,
— water department.

By Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 592) of Lafayette G. Blair for legislation relative to the transportation of bicycles as baggage. [Mr. Reed of Taunton, of the House, dissenting.]

Railroad companies,
— transportation of bicycles.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. Sullivan of Boston, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, that the Bill (recommitted) to provide for the extension of Atlantic avenue, formerly Cove street, in the city of Boston (House, No. 1010) ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

City of Boston,
— Cove street.

By Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, from the committee on Railroads, that the Bill (introduced on leave) requiring railroad companies to transport bicycles as baggage (House, No. 292) be referred to the next General Court. [Mr. Reed of Taunton, of the House, dissenting.] Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on the reference of the bill to the next General Court.

Railroad companies,
— transportation of bicycles.

By Mr. Sullivan of Boston, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, on a petition (recommitted, with accompanying bill, House, No. 321), a Bill to provide

City of Boston,
— Cove street.

for the extension of Atlantic avenue, formerly Cove street, in the city of Boston. (House, No. 1124.)

Certain towns,
— annual
meetings.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on petitions (with accompanying bills, House, Nos. 1061, 1062, 1063, 1104 and 1105), a Bill to confirm the acts of certain towns at their annual meetings in the year 1899. (House, No. 1123.)

Town of Lake-
ville, — annual
meeting.

By Mr. Haywood of Lynn, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Lakeville. (House, No. 1033.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Nurseries and
orchards, —
inspection;
cranberries, —
injuriously
insects.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to provide for the inspection of nurseries and orchards, to prevent the introduction therein of injurious insects and to provide for an investigation of the habits of insects injurious to the cranberry, ought to pass, with an amendment, striking out section 4. (House, No. 1122.) Placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Westborough
Insane Hospi-
tal.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the Westborough Insane Hospital. (House, No. 1106.) Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Taken from the Table.

Sidewalks, —
discharge of
water from
buildings.

On motions of Mr. Dean of Wakefield, the report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 516) of John F. Mahoney and others for legislation to authorize cities and towns to regulate the discharge of water from buildings so as to protect sidewalks, was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Motion to Reconsider.

Tax burdens, —
equalization.

Mr. Luce of Somerville moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the Bill to provide for the equalization of tax burdens (House, No.

598). After debate the motion to reconsider was laid on the table, on further motion of the same gentleman, by a vote of 47 to 37.

Bill Enacted and Resolves Passed.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the city of Fitchburg to incur indebtedness for hospital buildings beyond the limit fixed by law (which originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate. Bill enacted.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of the Lowell Textile School (which originated in the House) ; Resolves passed.

In favor of Samuel T. Davis ; and

To dispose of the material of the educational museum ;
(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motions of Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, the report of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 604) of Henry Abrahams for legislation to exempt labor organizations from certain provisions of the law relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table. Labor organizations.

On further motions of the same gentleman, the Bill to allow labor organizations and trades unions to pay sick and death benefits (House, No. 447) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Insurance. Labor organizations and trades unions, — sick and death benefits.

On motions of Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, the reports of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 122) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation to provide for the construction of additional subways in the city of Boston ; and City of Boston, — additional subways.

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 159) of the Boston Merchants' Association for legislation instructing the Boston Transit Commission to consider Boston Transit Commission, — rapid transit in Boston.

what should be done further to relieve the streets and promote rapid transit in the city of Boston ;

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and laid on the table.

Civil service
law, — exten-
sion to counties.

On motion of Mr. Wells of Peabody, the Bill to extend the civil service law to counties (House, No. 1107) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Monday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman.

City of New-
buryport, —
water commis-
sion.

On motion of Mr. Stanley of Newburyport, the Bill to transfer the duties of the water commission of the city of Newburyport to the city council of said city (House, No. 229) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Military aid.
State aid.

On motions of Mr. Marden of Stoneham, the bills :

Relative to military aid (House, No. 1080) ; and

Relative to State aid (House, No. 1081) ;

Were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, and postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, pending the question, in each case, on ordering the bill to a third reading.

State highways,
— construction
and repair.

On motion of Mr. Paton of Leominster, the Bill relative to the construction and repair of State highways (House, No. 1098) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until Thursday next, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Orders of the
day.

To incorporate the Waltham, Ayer and Pepperell Street Railway Company (House, No. 1114) ;

Relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations (House, No. 1118);

To authorize the town of Framingham to appropriate money to pay certain expenses incurred for street-watering in the year 1898 (Senate, No. 273);

Relative to the regulation and supervision of wires over streets and buildings in towns (Senate, No. 296); and

Relative to discharges from the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates (Senate, No. 299);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Winthrop to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of constructing, in conjunction with the Metropolitan Park Commission, a shore road (House, No. 1112); and

In further addition to an act making an appropriation for deficiencies in appropriations authorized in the year 1898 (House, No. 1113);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To provide for two additional associate justices of the municipal court of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 237);

To provide that a person applying to vote in the city of Boston shall not be required to write his name on the voting list (Senate, No. 267); and

To relieve the receivers of the Hampshire Savings Bank of Northampton from the payment of a certain tax (Senate, No. 291); and

The Resolve to confirm the acts of Arthur D. McClellan as a justice of the peace (Senate, No. 263);

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the establishing of two polling places for caucuses in each of certain wards in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 287), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, the pending amendment, moved by Mr. Saunders of Boston, was adopted, by a vote of 84 to 5, and the House refused to order the bill,

as amended, to a third reading, and notice of its rejection was sent to the Senate.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on April 17, refused to pass to be engrossed, in concurrence, the Bill relative to returns to be made to the Secretary of the Commonwealth by treasurers of political committees (Senate, No. 268) was considered and after debate was rejected, by a vote of 26 to 73. Notice of the rejection of the bill was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to impose a tax on legacies, successions and certain other transfers and to provide for the distribution of the proceeds of the same (House, No. 654) was taken up and after debate was postponed for consideration until Thursday next, on motion of Mr. Saunders of Boston, pending the question on passing it to be engrossed.

The Bill to provide for the construction of a highway and sidewalk over land of the Commonwealth at the State muster-field in the town of Framingham (House, No. 1096) was considered and after debate was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by a vote of 65 to 9.

Mr. Twombly of Framingham raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 105 members were present.

On motion of Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

On the appearance of a quorum the question was again put, and the bill was referred to the next General Court, by a vote of 88 to 19.

The Bill to provide compensation for the Metropolitan Park Commissioners (House, No. 1097) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston moved to recommit the bill to the committee on Public Service, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, which motion was lost.

Mr. Clerke of Boston moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in lines 6 to 9, inclusive, and in lines 35 to 37, inclusive, the words "may receive such compensation for their services as the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council, may authorize, and;" and by striking out, in lines 9 and 38, the word "further."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Dalton of Salem, the amendments were severally rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 70 to 56.

The Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the transportation of letter carriers on street cars in the city of Boston was postponed for consideration until Thursday next, on motion of Mr. Jeremiah F. McCarthy of Boston, pending the question on the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

The Bill to provide a penalty for trespassing upon bicycle paths (House, No. 978) was considered and after debate the House refused to concur with the Senate in its amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill to revise the laws relative to the distribution of the estates of deceased persons (House, No. 1082) was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until Monday, on motion of Mr. Haywood of Lynn.

The Bill to provide for the assessment of a portion of the expense of watering streets in the city of Worcester upon street railway companies (House, No. 1066) was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, on motion of Mr. Hayes of Lowell.

The Bill relative to the board of aldermen of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 272) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 1121), which was read and after debate was substituted, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 112) of Torrey E. Wardner for legislation defining contempt of court, establishing the mode of procedure relating to the same and regulating and fixing the punishment therefor, was postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, on motion of Mr. Brigham of Marlborough.

The Bill to define the power of courts and magistrates to punish for contempt (House, No. 540) was postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, on motion of Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill to authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to construct a bridge across the Mystic River between the city of Somerville and that part of the city of Medford known as Wellington (House, No. 281) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Smith of Waltham moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court.

Pending this motion and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading,

On motion of Mr. Whipple of Brockton, at sixteen minutes before four o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, April 24, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Annual Report.

The eleventh annual report of the Hatch Experiment Station of the Massachusetts Agricultural College (Pub. Doc. No. 33) was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and was referred to the committee on Agriculture and sent up for concurrence.

Massachusetts
Agricultural
College, —
report of
Hatch Experiment
Station.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Dean of Brookline, petition of Oscar B. Mowry and another for legislation relative to the time of filing petitions for the assessment of damages accruing from the location and construction of railroads under the act to provide for a union station for passengers on railroads entering the southerly part of the city of Boston. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

City of Boston,
— filing petitions
for
damages under
the southern
union station
act.

Mr. Smith of Dover presented a petition of Marshall L. Perrin and others in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation, and the same was placed on file.

Nantasket
Beach, — public
reservation.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Railroads shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Friday, May 5.

Committee on
Railroads, —
reports.

A report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bills, House, Nos. 364 and 388) of John T. Langford for legislation to provide for the nomination of candidates for State and city officers by direct vote in caucuses, accepted

Caucuses, —
nomination of
candidates for
State and city
officers.

by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Trust companies.

To authorize trust companies to act as executors and in other fiduciary capacities (Senate, No. 258) (new draft of a bill, Senate, No. 51, introduced on leave) ; and

Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company.

To incorporate the purchasers of the franchise and property of the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company (Senate, No. 275) (reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

City of Boston, — assistance for clerk of municipal court.

A Bill to authorize additional clerical assistance for the clerk of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business (Senate, No. 300) (reported on a petition, recommitted, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 27), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Counties on the part of the House.

Reports of Committees.

Massachusetts Reformatory, — water supply.

By Mr. Wood of Woburn, from the committee on Prisons, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) relative to a supply of water for the Massachusetts Reformatory (printed as Senate, No. 277) ought to pass. Read, and on motion of the same gentleman, the rules were suspended and the resolve was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of Mr. Wood.

Town of South Hadley, — annual meeting.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of George E. Fisher for legislation to confirm the acts of the town of South Hadley at its annual meeting in the year 1899. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Fisher of Amherst, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1127) was referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Worcester and Clinton Street Railway Company.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th and 9th joint rules be suspended on the petition of Walter R. Dame and others for legislation to authorize the Worcester and Clinton Street Railway Company to act as a common carrier of merchandise,

baggage and the United States mail. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stalker of Boston, the 12th and 9th joint rules were severally suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1125) was referred to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, from the committee on Rules, Rhoda Rosella Grant, — annuity. that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of Rhoda Rosella Grant for an annuity from the treasury of the Commonwealth. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers of Cambridge, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 1126) was referred to the committee on Ways and Means, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

By Mr. Russell of Boston, from the committee on City of Boston, — sewerage works. Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 31) of Charles R. Saunders for legislation to repeal an act relative to the sewerage works of the city of Boston.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 529) of Joseph Engel and others for legislation to amend section 1 of chapter 178 of the Acts of the year 1885 relative to the municipal debt and rate of taxation in the city of Boston. City of Boston, — municipal debt and rate of taxation.

By Mr. Reed of Taunton, from the committee on Railroads, no legislation necessary, on Part I. of the thirtieth annual report of the Board of Railroad Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 14) relating to railroad corporations. Board of Railroad Commissioners, — railroad corporations.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Russell of Boston, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the sewerage works of the city of Boston (House, No. 90) ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill. City of Boston, — sewerage works.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on a petition (with accompanying Demurrers and agreed facts, — appeal.

bill, House, No. 580), a Bill relative to appeal in actions at law upon demurrers and agreed facts. (House, No. 1128.)

City of Boston,
— sewerage
works.

By Mr. Russell of Boston, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 406) and on a bill introduced on leave (House, No. 640), a Bill relative to the sewerage works of the city of Boston. (House, No. 1129.) [Mr. Lomasney of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Metropolitan
Park Com-
missioners, —
Nantasket
beach.

By Mr. Schofield of Malden, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, on petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 585), a Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to take, control and manage Nantasket Beach and adjacent lands and waters. [Messrs. Maxwell, of the Senate, and Sullivan of Boston, of the House, dissenting.] Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Taken from the Table.

Railroad com-
panies, — sale
of tickets in the
suburban dis-
trict of Boston.

On motion of Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, the report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 590) of John H. Carter for legislation relative to the sale of tickets on railroads in the suburban district of the city of Boston, was taken from the table and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

On motions of Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, the reports of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court :

City of Boston,
— additional
subways.

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 122) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation to provide for the construction of additional subways in the city of Boston ; and

Boston Transit
Commission, —
rapid transit in
Boston.

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 159) of the Boston Merchants' Association for legislation instructing the Boston Transit Commission to consider what should be done further to relieve the streets and promote rapid transit in the city of Boston ;

Were severally taken from the table and were severally accepted, in concurrence.

City of Boston,
— board of
aldermen.

On further motion of Mr. Fitzgerald, the Bill relative to the election of aldermen in the city of Boston (House,

No. 331) was taken from the table and was rejected, as recommended by the committees on Election Laws and Metropolitan Affairs, sitting jointly, and notice was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Trow of Salem, the Bill to regulate passenger fares on railroads within the suburban district of Boston (House, No. 551) was taken from the table and was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Railroads, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Railroad companies, — fares in the suburban district of Boston.

On motions of Mr. David A. Mahoney of Boston, the report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 819) of the Fitchburg and Suburban Street Railway Company for authority to extend its tracks and to operate freight cars and to act as a common carrier, was taken from the table and recommitted, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, and was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Fitchburg and Suburban Street Railway Company.

On motions of Mr. Donahue of Fall River, the report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 117) of John F. O'Sullivan for legislation to prohibit the employment of children under eighteen years of age and of women in places where intoxicating liquors are sold or prepared for sale, was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until Friday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Labor, — women and children.

Motions to Reconsider.

Mr. Brigham of Marlborough moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the Bill to provide for the construction of a highway and sidewalk over land of the Commonwealth at the State muster-field in the town of Framingham (House, No. 1096). On further motion of the same gentleman, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

MILITIA, — highway and sidewalk at State muster-field in Framingham.

Mr. Bresnahan of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, passed to be engrossed the Bill relative to the board of aldermen of the city of Boston (House, No. 1121), which motion, after debate, was lost.

City of Boston, — board of aldermen.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.***Bills enacted.****Engrossed bills :**

- Relative to the regulation of electric wires ;
- Relative to the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons ;
- Relative to the allowance to be paid in certain cases to the widow and children of a deceased person ;
- To provide for the retirement of justices of the Supreme Judicial Court and of the Superior Court ;
- In addition to an act making an appropriation for deficiencies in appropriations authorized in the year 1898 ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;
- Relative to making connections of estates with sewers ;
- Relative to certain suits for damages for property taken by the Metropolitan Water Board ;
- To authorize an exchange of land in Waltham by the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded ; and
- Relative to orders, rules and regulations made by the State Board of Health or by the Metropolitan Water Board ;
(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;
- Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed.**Engrossed resolves :**

- To provide for certain repairs and furnishings at the State Normal Art School ;
- To provide for cleaning and painting the original building of the State Normal Art School in the city of Boston ; and
- To provide suitable apparatus for the State Normal School at Lowell ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;
- Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

*Motion to Discharge from the Orders of the Day.***Police court of
Brockton, —
salary of justice.**

Mr. Hancock of Brockton moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of the city of Brockton (Senate, No. 261), which motion, after debate, was lost.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 774) of William A. Davenport for legislation to make counties, cities and towns liable for the negligence of public officers, was accepted and sent up for concurrence. Orders of the day.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 183) of R. H. Hinkley, Jr., that he and his associates may be incorporated as a street railway company, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

To exempt certain trades unions from the laws relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations (House, No. 469);

To confirm the acts of certain towns at their annual meetings in the year 1899 (House, No. 1123); and

Relative to unauthorized structures in a city or town (Senate, No. 294);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the inspection of nurseries and orchards, to prevent the introduction therein of injurious insects and to provide for an investigation of the habits of insects injurious to the cranberry (House, No. 1122) was read a second time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by striking out section 4, and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the Waltham, Ayer and Pepperell Street Railway Company (House, No. 1114) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the District Court of Central Berkshire (Senate, No. 217) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to construct a bridge across the Mystic River between the city of Somerville and that part of the city of Medford known as Wellington (House, No. 281),

being the unfinished business of Friday last, was further considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Hawes of Weymouth moved to amend section 1 by striking out all after the word "thereto," in line 28.

Mr. Myers of Cambridge moved to amend as follows:—

In section 4, by striking out, in lines 6 to 8, inclusive, the words "and towns specially benefited by its use in connection with said highways," and inserting in place thereof the words "of Medford and Somerville;" by striking out, in line 8, the word "said," and inserting in place thereof the word "the;" and by striking out, in line 10, the word "it," and inserting in place thereof the word "them;"

In section 5, by striking out, in line 7, the words "any city or town within this Commonwealth," and inserting in place thereof the words "said cities;" and

In section 6, by striking out, in line 4, the words "city or town," and inserting in place thereof the words "of said cities."

Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston moved to amend by inserting after section 6 the following new section: "*Section 7.* No portion of the cost of construction or maintenance of said bridge shall be assessed upon the city of Boston."

Mr. Cole of Beverly moved the previous question, which motion, after debate, was lost, by a vote of 37 to 68.

Mr. Keith of Cambridge moved that the bill and pending amendments be laid upon the table, which motion, after debate, was lost.

After further debate the amendment moved by Mr. Hawes was adopted, by a vote of 66 to 36.

The amendments moved by Messrs. Myers and Fitzgerald were severally adopted.

The pending motion of Mr. Smith of Waltham, that the bill be referred to the next General Court, was adopted, and, accordingly, the bill, as amended, was referred to the next General Court.

The Bill to prevent coercion of employees (House, No. 565) was considered, and after debate the House refused to concur with the Senate in its amendment, by a vote of 43 to 58, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill to provide for the construction of a high-level gravity sewer for the relief of the Charles and Neponset River valleys (House, No. 1085) was postponed for consideration until Friday next, on motion of Mr. Smith of Waltham, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading.

The Bill to extend the civil service law to counties (House, No. 1107) was considered.

Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield moved that it be referred to the next General Court, which motion, after debate, was lost.

Mr. Adams of Melrose moved to amend as follows:—

In section 1, by striking out, in lines 6 to 8, inclusive, the words “this act is accepted by the qualified voters of said counties as hereinafter provided,” and inserting in place thereof the words “deputy sheriffs shall be exempt from the provisions of this act;” and

By striking out section 2.

Mr. Hayes of Lowell moved that the bill be recommended to the committee on Public Service, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule.

After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Hawes of Weymouth.

The amendments were rejected and the House refused to order the bill to a third reading.

At half-past four o'clock, under the standing order, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 25, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by Reverend Charles P. Mills of Newburyport, a member of the House.

Petitions Presented.

Transportation
companies, —
weekly rest-day
for employees.

By Mr. Stalker of Boston, petition of Gustav A. Erickson, Mary E. Fales and others in aid of the petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest-day for employees of transportation companies. Referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency and sent up for concurrence.

City of Somerville, — public park.

By Mr. Luce of Somerville, petition of the mayor of the city of Somerville for legislation to authorize said city to acquire and lay out certain land as a public park. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

County of
Suffolk, —
nomination of
senators.

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 58) of John A. Keliher for legislation providing for nominating senators in Suffolk County by direct plurality vote ; and

Cans, bottles,
boxes, siphons
and fountains.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 461) of the Manufacturers' and Bottlers' Collecting and Distributing Company for legislation to protect the owners of cans, bottles, boxes, siphons and fountains ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Reports :

Manufacturers
Trust Company.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 487) of the Manufacturers Trust Company of Hol-

yoke for authority to remove its principal place of business to the city of Boston and to purchase and hold real estate in said city for the transaction of its business; and

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 34) of Tower Brothers and Company and others that Cohasset harbor may be dredged and deepened;

Cohasset
harbor.

Severally accepted by the House, severally came down recommitted, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, in each case, in which the House concurred, and the reports were returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

A Bill relative to entry fees and other charges in bastardy cases (Senate, No. 303) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, House, No. 317), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Bastardy cases,
— entry fees
and charges.

The House Bill to codify and amend the laws relative to the preservation of trees (House, No. 1022) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

Trees, —
preservation.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of Jeremiah F. McCarthy for legislation to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to Catherine C. Dodge. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Jeremiah F. McCarthy of Boston, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1133) was referred to the committee on Cities and sent up for concurrence.

City of Boston,
— Catherine
C. Dodge.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, Senate, No. 114) of Henry C. Whitney for the passage of a resolve providing for an investigation concerning the laws relative to proceedings after execution, particularly with reference to the poor debtor court and the Dubuque law, so called.

Equitable
process after
judgment.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, ^{id.} leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 32) of Walter P. Weston for legislation

to amend chapter 549 of the Acts of the year 1898 entitled "An Act to provide an equitable process after judgment in certain cases."

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Prudential and
industrial
insurance.

By Mr. Tatman of Worcester, from the committee on Insurance, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to prudential and industrial insurance conducted on the assessment or level premium plan (House, No. 448) ought not to pass. [Mr. Toomey of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

Equitable
process after
judgment.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to exempt from equitable process the sum of not less than ten dollars per week of a debtor's income (House, No. 545) ought not to pass.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each case, being on the rejection of the bill.

Metropolitan
water system,—
boating and
fishing on
ponds and
reservoirs.

By Mr. Stewart of Boston, from the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to permit boating and fishing on the ponds and reservoirs of the metropolitan water system (House, No. 137) be referred to the next General Court. [Messrs. Maxwell and Tague, of the Senate, and Fitzgerald of Boston, Lomasney of Boston, Sullivan of Boston and Weston of Hyde Park, of the House, of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs; and Messrs. Fairbank, of the Senate, and Favor of Gloucester, Dewey of Westfield, Ray of Ashland and Twombly of Framingham, of the House, of the committee on Water Supply, dissenting.] Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the reference of the bill to the next General Court.

Supreme
Judicial Court,
— notices of
petitions for
construction of
wills.

By Mr. Turtle of Pittsfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill relative to notices of petitions to the Supreme Judicial Court for the construction of wills. (House, No. 702.)

City of Boston,
— board of
estimate and
apportionment.

By Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 189), a Bill relative to the board of estimate and apportionment of the city of Boston. (House, No. 1131.) [Mr. Lomasney of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to special assessments in the city of Boston (House, No. 742) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Bill relative to the watering of streets in the city of Boston." (House, No. 1132.) City of Boston, — watering of streets.

By Mr. Langford of Newton, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 596), a Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to take an additional water supply. (House, No. 1134.) City of Brockton, — water supply.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, the report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 795) of George G. Tidsbury and others for legislation to provide low rates for travel over railroads within a radius of twenty-five miles of the city of Boston, was taken from the table and was accepted and sent up for concurrence. Railroad companies, — low rates in the suburban district of Boston.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Turner of Malden moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, referred to the next General Court the Bill to authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to construct a bridge across the Mystic River between the city of Somerville and that part of the city of Medford known as Wellington (House, No. 281). On further motion of the same gentleman, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table. Mystic River, — Wellington Bridge between Somerville and Medford.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. Mills of Newburyport, the Bill to incorporate the purchasers of the franchise and property of the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company (Senate, No. 275) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the bill was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of Mr. Mills. Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company.

Street Railway
Mutual Insurance
Company.

On motion of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, the Bill to incorporate the Street Railway Mutual Insurance Company (House, No. 1117) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Thursday, May 4, to be placed first in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To define the crime of larceny ;

To legalize and confirm the election of a board of health in the town of Plymouth ;

To establish the salaries of the justice and clerk of the police court of Fitchburg ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To relieve the receivers of the Hampshire Savings Bank of Northampton from the payment of a certain tax ;

To provide that a person applying to vote in the city of Boston shall not be required to write his name on the voting list ;

To provide for two additional associate justices of the municipal court of the city of Boston ;

To incorporate the purchasers of the franchise and property of the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company ; and

To establish the salary of the justice of the District Court of Central Berkshire ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves :

Directing the State Board of Health to report upon the general subject of the discharge of sewage into Boston harbor ;

To provide for a State exhibit of drawing in the public schools ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To confirm the acts of Arthur D. McClellan as a justice of the peace (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 516) of John F. Mahoney and others for legislation to authorize cities and towns to regulate the discharge of water from buildings so as to protect sidewalks ;

Orders of the day.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 31) of Charles R. Saunders for legislation to repeal an act relative to the sewerage works of the city of Boston ; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 529) of Joseph Engel and others for legislation to amend section 1 of chapter 178 of the Acts of the year 1885 relative to the municipal debt and rate of taxation in the city of Boston ; and

Of the committee on Railroads, no legislation necessary, on Part I. of the thirtieth annual report of the Board of Railroad Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 14) relating to railroad corporations ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bills, House, Nos. 364 and 388) of John T. Langford for legislation to provide for the nomination of candidates for State and city officers by direct vote in caucuses, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Lakeville (House, No. 1033) ; and

Relative to appeal in actions at law upon demurrers and agreed facts (House, No. 1128) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to public warehousemen and other depositories (House, No. 1109) ; and

The Resolve to authorize the purchase of portraits of Governors of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1115) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Framingham to appropriate money to pay certain expenses incurred for street-watering in the year 1898 (Senate, No. 273) ;

Relative to unauthorized structures in a city or town (Senate, No. 294) ; and

Relative to discharges from the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates (Senate, No. 299) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to charges and service of companies engaged in telephone business in this Commonwealth (House, No. 134) was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, it was voted that debate be closed at quarter-past twelve o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Odlin of Andover, it was voted that speeches be limited to five minutes each.

After debate the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Whipple of Brockton, and the roll being called the House refused to pass the bill to be engrossed and notice of its rejection was sent to the Senate.

The vote was 82 yeas to 105 nays, as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.
Ainsworth, Wilfred
Andrews, David B.
Battles, David W.
Boylston, Ward N.
Bridgeo, William
Brigham, William M.
Bugbee, Nelson A.
Burgess, Albert H.
Burrington, Lester L.
Carey, James F.
Chapple, William D.
Clerke, Charles S.
Cole, Samuel
Crosby, J. Howell
Cullinane, Richard
Currier, Guy W.
Daly, William
Davenport, William A.
Dean, Charles A.

Messrs. Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
Dillon, Thomas J.
Donahue, Thomas
Donovan, Eugene E.
Donovan, James H.
Dooling, Thomas J.
Douglass, John J.
Drake, Frederic P.
Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
Dudley, George J.
Dyer, George N.
Eddy, Curtis
Estes, Eugene B.
Feiker, William H.
Flanagan, John J.
Grimes, James W.
Harriman, Charles H.
Haywood, Charles E.
Hopewell, William
Horton, Henry T.

Messrs. Howard, Robert
 Howland, Willard
 Jones, Michael B.
 Kane, Daniel J.
 Kavanaugh, John E.
 Kells, William, Jr.
 Keyou, Nicholas B.
 Learoyd, Addison P.
 Libby, John F.
 Lomasney, Martin M.
 Lombard, Edward M.
 Mahony, Frederick C.
 Marchesseault, Eugene D.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
 McIsaac, Daniel V.
 McLoughlin, William I.
 Mellen, James H.
 Miller, Charles H.
 Minton, John M.
 Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
 Myers, James J.

Messrs. Newton, H. Huestis
 Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.
 Persons, Charles H.
 Ray, Albert H.
 Reed, Silas D.
 Saunders, Charles R.
 Scates, Louis M.
 Skinner, Henry R.
 Smith, Charles F. A.
 Spooner, Wallace
 Sprague, Eugene H.
 Stewart, Joseph I.
 Toland, John I.
 Toomey, John J.
 Twomey, Edmund J.
 Upson, Charles H.
 Wells, Abelard E.
 Wheeler, William D.
 Whelan, John B.
 Whipple, John J.
 Willard, Edward E.

NATS.

Messrs. Andrews, Richard F., Jr.	Messrs. Fisher, George E.
Apsey, Albert S.	Folsom, Albert T.
Balcom, George	Foster, Frank A.
Bleiler, John	Francis, Frank W.
Briggs, Clarence A.	Gaddis, Michael E.
Brown, Henry L.	Gartland, John J., Jr.
Brown, Willard M.	Gilpatric, Fred C.
Bullock, William J.	Goulding, Albert M.
Campbell, Andrew	Hancock, Portus B.
Chadwick, N. Henry	Harlow, Franklin P.
Chase, Henry L.	Harvie, Robert B.
Cluer, Arthur H.	Harwood, George F.
Conroy, Thomas A.	Haskins, Leander M.
Conwell, Robert E.	Hayes, William H. I.
Coolidge, Daniel S.	Heath, Guilford P.
Crosby, Aaron S.	Henderson, Francis D.
Crosby, Alfred R.	Hooper, Franklin K.
Dalton, J. Frank	Howland, Charles W.
Davis, Daniel W.	Huntress, Franklin E.
Davis, William R.	Judd, William E.
Dean, George Z.	King, Randolph V.
Donovan, Edward J.	Kyle, William S.
Donovan, Michael J.	Langford, John T.
Dumond, John B.	Leland, Francis
Ellsworth, J. Lewis	Leslie, George F.
Farwell, Frederick W.	Litchfield, William C.
Favor, John	Lockhart, Alexander

Messrs. Luce, Robert	Messrs. Seavey, James F.
Mahoney, David A.	Selfridge, George S.
Mansfield, Matthew M.	Severance, Joseph C.
Marchant, Charles S.	Shaw, Nathan W.
Marden, William H.	Sheppard, Eben W.
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.	Skillings, William E.
Miller, Calvin S.	Smith, Allen F.
Montgomery, James A.	Smith, Charles G.
Moore, James S.	Stanley, Benjamin F.
Morse, Merrick A.	Stone, Silas A.
Odlin, William	Sullivan, Michael J.
Parker, William C.	Swift, William S.
Pike, William T.	Tatman, Charles T.
Powers, John A.	Tolman, William
Prindle, John F.	Trow, Charles E.
Puffer, Herbert C.	Turner, Henry E.
Quigley, William J.	Turtle, William
Ramsdell, Charles H.	Varney, George E.
Robinson, Lewis D.	Wallace, S. Ives
Root, Albert B.	Wentworth, Edward E.
Ross, Leonard W.	Weston, Walter S.
Rounseville, Albert	Whall, Harry B.
Russell, Arthur P.	White, Horace C.
Salter, William R.	Williams, George F.
Sands, Edward P.	Wood, Alva S.
Schofield, William	

82 yeas ; 105 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced :—

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Miller, William J.	Messrs. Porter, Thomas F.*
Stone, Willmore B.	Chandler, Leonard B.*
Mackey, Thomas*	Grant, Oliver S.
Johnson, Charles R.	Bartlett, Edwin*
Fitzgerald, William T. A.*	Adams, Charles H.
Fitts, Frank E.*	Watson, Walter S.
Corey, Charles V.*	Bushnell, S. Hopkins
Mills, Charles P.*	Sparks, John T.
Bresnahan, Hugh W.	Lowe, John H.*
Crouch, Charles S.	Harwood, Herbert J.*
Brooks, Charles C.	Litchfield, James A.*
Paton, Alexander S.	Sisson, Robert S.*
Harvell, Elisha T.*	Cook, Clifford A.
Mead, Edward C.	Hunt, James*
Blood, Charles H.	Neal, David*

Previous to the calling of the roll, Messrs. Dean of Brookline and Newton of Royalston were excused from voting, under House Rule 63.

The Bill to transfer the duties of the water commission of the city of Newburyport to the city council of said city (House, No. 229) was read a third time, and after debate was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 61 to 55, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to revise the laws relative to the distribution of the estates of deceased persons (House, No. 1082) was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Turtle of Pittsfield, pending the question on passing it to be engrossed.

The Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of the city of Brockton (Senate, No. 261) was considered, and after debate was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to require street railway companies to enclose the platforms of cars during certain months of the year (House, No. 493) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 1130).

Mr. Feiker of Northampton moved to amend the bill recommended as a substitute by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading as follows:—

In section 1, by striking out, in line 3, the word "October," and inserting in place thereof the word "November;" and by striking out, in line 6, the word "October;" and

In section 5, by striking out, in line 2, the word "October," and inserting in place thereof the word "November."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, the amendments moved by Mr. Feiker were adopted, and the bill recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, as amended, was substituted and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the hours of labor of women and minors (House, No. 167) was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Donahue of Fall River moved that it be postponed for consideration until Monday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, which motion, after debate, was lost.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the licensing of engineers and firemen (House, No. 1093) was read a third time and considered.

On motion of Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, the bill was amended in section 3 by striking out, in lines 31 to 39, inclusive, the words "person acting as water tender under the person in charge, or any person operating boilers or engines where the person in charge is absent from the boiler or engine room for a period of more than fifteen minutes, but such word shall not be construed as including firemen who are not regularly acting as water tender upon steam plants where a water tender is employed in addition to the person in charge of the plant," and inserting in place thereof the words "and all persons actually engaged in generating steam in any power boiler."

On motion of Mr. Davis of Amesbury, the bill was amended in section 8 by striking out, in line 1, the word "Whoever," and inserting in place thereof the words "Any manager, superintendent or agent having control of a steam engine or boiler or of a plant of which a steam engine or boiler forms a part who."

Mr. Odlin of Andover moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in lines 21 to 27, inclusive, the words "If any such steam engine or boiler is found at any time in charge of or operated by any person who is not a duly licensed engineer or fireman, and the same is found being operated after a lapse of one week from such time by any person or persons not duly licensed, it shall be deemed prima facie evidence of a violation of this section."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Judd of Holyoke, the amendment moved by Mr. Odlin was rejected, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 303) of Walter

L. Sears for legislation to require the city of Boston to furnish water for domestic purposes without charge and to provide a more equitable method of supporting and maintaining the water department of said city, was read and considered.

Mr. Clerke of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to provide a more equitable method of raising money for the maintenance of the water department of the city of Boston" (House, No. 303, modified by striking out, in section 1, line 3, in section 2, lines 3 and 4, in section 3, lines 1 and 2, and in section 5, line 2, by striking out the words "eighteen hundred and ninety-nine," and inserting in place thereof, in each case, the words "nineteen hundred;" and by striking out section 7.)

After debate the House refused to substitute the bill, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 592) of Lafayette G. Blair for legislation relative to the transportation of bicycles as baggage, was considered, and after debate was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Reed of Taunton.

The Bill to provide for the extension of Atlantic avenue, formerly Cove street, in the city of Boston (House, No. 1010) was considered.

Pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, Mr. Russell of Boston moved that it be postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, which motion, after debate, was lost.

The bill was then rejected, as recommended by the committee, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill requiring railroad companies to transport bicycles as baggage (House, No. 292) was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Reed of Taunton, pending the question on its reference to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Railroads.

The Bill to provide for the extension of Atlantic avenue, formerly Cove street, in the city of Boston (House, No. 1124) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Bresnahan of Boston moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in lines 2 to 10, inclusive, the words "as

extended and laid out by the street commissioners of said city, on March twenty-fourth, anno Domini eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, from Kneeland street over the lands and tracks of the Boston Terminal Company, and with a draw over Fort Point Channel and lands of the Old Colony and New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad companies to Dorchester avenue, at the width and," and inserting in place thereof the words "shall be extended and laid out by the street commissioners of said city at a width of not less than sixty feet from Kneeland street over the tracks and lands of the Boston Terminal Company and with a draw over Fort Point Channel and lands of the Old Colony and New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad companies to Dorchester avenue at."

Pending the amendment and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Russell of Boston moved that it be postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed fourth in the orders of the day.

Mr. Hayes of Lowell moved that it be postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Mr. Toomey of Boston moved a suspension of the order requiring the Speaker to declare an adjournment at half-past four o'clock, which motion was lost.

The motions to postpone were severally rejected.

The amendment was then adopted, by a vote of 55 to 12, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

At half-past four o'clock, under the standing order, the House adjourned.

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WEDNESDAY, April 26, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock
A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Opinion of the Attorney-General.

The following communication was received from the
Attorney-General:—

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL, BOSTON, April 26, 1899.

The Hon. JOHN L. BATES, *Speaker of the House of Representatives,*
State House, Boston, Mass.

DEAR SIR:—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the order of the House of Representatives, adopted April 12, 1899, requesting my opinion upon the following questions, to wit:

(1) “Whether the provisions of section eleven of the proposed act for the consolidation of certain gas companies in the city of Boston, submitted in the fourteenth annual report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 35), are constitutional and can be enforced in law or equity.”

*Opinion of the
Attorney-
General,—
consolidation
of gas com-
panies in the
city of Boston.*

(2) “Whether a law requiring any two or more gas companies to consolidate, without the consent of such companies, can be enforced in law or equity.”

The corporations affected by the proposed act are the Boston Gas Light Company, the Brookline Gas Light Company, the Bay State Gas Company, the Roxbury Gas Light Company, the South Boston Gas Light Company, the Dorchester Gas Light Company, the Jamaica Plain Gas Light Company and the Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas Company.

All these corporations, excepting the Boston Gas Light Company, were incorporated subsequent to the year 1831, and are subject to the provisions of Pub. Stats. chap. 105, sect. 3, which provides that all acts of incorporation passed after the eleventh day of March in the year 1831 shall be subject to amendment, alteration or repeal at the

pleasure of the General Court. The Boston Gas Light Company was incorporated by St. 1822, chap. 41, and there is no provision in the charter which, in terms, makes it subject to amendment or repeal at the pleasure of the Legislature, nor any provision limiting the duration of the charter. But, by St. 1809, chap. 65, which was "An Act defining the General Powers and Duties of Manufacturing Corporations," it was provided in the seventh section that "the Legislature may from time to time, upon due notice to any corporation, make further provisions and regulations for the management of the business of the corporation, and for the government thereof, or wholly to repeal any act, or part thereof, establishing any corporation, as shall be deemed expedient." This act was in force when the Boston Gas Light Company was incorporated, and, in my opinion, is to be taken as limiting the rights conferred by its charter. The charters of all the corporations affected by the proposed act are subject, therefore, to amendment, alteration or repeal at the pleasure of the Legislature.

It is this power of control over its corporations which is invoked in the proposed act. The act provides in the first section that the corporations named may unite and consolidate into one company in the manner and upon the terms and conditions thereafter set forth. By the second section it is provided that the terms and conditions shall be agreed upon by the directors of each and all of the corporations, subject to the approval of a majority of the stockholders of the respective corporations and of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners. The agreement so to be executed shall determine the amount of the capital stock, bonds and coupon notes to be issued by the new corporation, and shall provide for the conveyance of all the real and personal estate of the constituent corporations to the new corporation, and also the proportion in which the shares, bonds and coupon notes of the new corporation shall be distributed among the shareholders and creditors of the constituent corporations. The act further provides for the organization of the new corporation within thirty days after the execution and approval of the agreement provided for in section two, and that, upon the completion of such organization the corporate existence of the respective constituent corporations shall continue only for the purpose of winding up its

business; and that the new corporation shall have all the franchises and rights, and be subject to all the duties and restrictions, of each of the constituent corporations, and of all general laws applicable to gas companies. This far the act appears to be permissive. Section eleven, however, being the section referred to in the resolution of your honorable body, provides as follows: "If at the expiration of ——— months from the passage of this act, any of the companies named in section one shall have failed or neglected to execute and complete the agreement mentioned in section two in the manner therein described, the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners shall proceed to determine the terms and conditions upon which such companies shall be included in the consolidation provided by this act, and, for the purpose of determining said terms and conditions, may notify such companies to appear before said board, to be heard relative thereto. If such companies or any of them shall thereafter accept the terms and conditions determined by the board as aforesaid, the companies so accepting shall thereafter be subject to the provisions of this act in all respects as if the terms and conditions had been agreed to in the manner provided in section two. If such companies or any of them shall within ——— days after notice thereof fail to accept the terms and conditions so determined, the Supreme Judicial Court shall, upon petition of said board, declare the charter of the companies so failing to be revoked and annulled, and may issue such further orders and decrees relative to the property and business of said companies as said board may deem necessary and advisable."

There can be no doubt that, if the legislative body has the right to repeal the charter of a corporation, it may provide that the repeal of the charter shall be conditional upon the happening of some future event. St. 1893, chap. 474, is an example of such legislation. By that statute it was provided that the charter of the Bay State Gas Company should be revoked and annulled on the first day of December following the passage of the act, unless the corporation should, prior to said first day of December, procure the cancellation and discharge of a certain obligation issued by the company and outstanding at the date of the passage of the act.

A similar statute, enacted by the Legislature of Con-

necticut, has been sustained by the supreme court of that state. The statute in that case provided that the charter of a corporation should be repealed on a given date, unless, before that time, the corporation should receive a certificate that the deficiency in its assets had been supplied, with provision for the determination of any disagreement as to the amount of its assets by the supreme court. Judge Shipman, in delivering the opinion of the court, said: "A valid statute may be passed to take effect upon the happening of some future event. Certain, or uncertain, it is a law *in presenti*, to take effect *in futuro*. The event, or change of circumstances, must be such as, in the judgment of the Legislature, affects the question of the expediency of the law. The Legislature in effect declares the law inexpedient if the event should not happen, expedient if it should happen. They appeal to nobody to judge of its expediency."

These considerations, in my judgment, are decisive of the general inquiry submitted to me. I observe, however, that instead of enacting in express terms that the charter shall be repealed, the section provides that the Supreme Judicial Court "shall, upon petition of said board, declare the charters of the companies so failing to be revoked and annulled." I doubt whether this language is sufficient. The Legislature may not, in my opinion, delegate to the court authority to annul the charter of a corporation for failure to perform the acts authorized by the proposed statute. The section should be amended so that the repeal is the act of the Legislature, and not of the court. It was probably intended by the framer to provide for a determination by the court of the existence of the facts upon the happening of which the charters are to be repealed. This the Legislature may do; but the repeal itself must be enacted by the Legislature in express terms.

I therefore answer the questions of your honorable body as follows:—

First: If the proposed section be so amended as to contain an express provision that the charters of the companies enumerated shall be repealed upon the contingency set forth, such a provision will be constitutional and can be enforced.

Second: A law requiring two or more gas companies to consolidate, without the consent of such companies, is

not within the constitutional power of the Legislature; but a law providing that the charters of corporations shall be repealed unless they see fit to consolidate, will be constitutional and can be enforced.

Very truly yours,

HOSEA M. KNOWLTON,
Attorney-General.

The communication was read and was laid on the table to be printed. (House, No. 1140.)

Annual Report.

The abstract of the certificates of corporations organized under the general laws of Massachusetts, together with the annual returns required by chapter 106 of the Public Statutes, during the year 1898 (Pub. Doc. No. 10) was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

Corporations, —
certificates and
annual returns.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Brown of North Adams, petition of Clarence W. Gallup for legislation to legalize his acts as a justice of the peace. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Clarence W.
Gallup, —
justice of the
peace.

By Mr. Bullock of New Bedford, petition of William J. Bullock for legislation to grant further powers to city and town officers relative to licensing and regulating peddlers. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Peddlers.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 495) of Charles W. Felt for compensation for damages caused by the construction of the metropolitan water system, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Metropolitan
water system, —
Charles W.
Felt.

Bills :

Labels, trade-
marks, stamps,
etc.

Relative to the registration and protection of labels, trade-marks, stamps and forms of advertisements (Senate, No. 298) (new draft of a bill reported on so much of the annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, Pub. Doc. No. 46, as was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, in part) ; and

City of Chelsea,
— charter.

To amend the charter of the city of Chelsea (Senate, No. 304) (new draft of an engrossed bill, recommitted) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Commis-
sioners, — ex-
penditures.

A Bill relative to the annual expenditures of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (Senate, No. 295) (reported on the annual report of said board, Pub. Doc. No. 35, in part), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bicycle paths.

The House Bill to provide a penalty for trespassing upon bicycle paths (House, No. 978) came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendment. Mr. Cluer of Lowell moved that the House insist on its non-concurrence, which motion, after debate, was adopted, by a vote of 82 to 3, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Nantasket
Beach, — public
reservation.

Petitions of the Vacuum Oil Company, the New England Can Company and others and P. Ronan, John Conness and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation, were severally placed on file.

Reports of Committees.

Boston Transit
Commission.

By Mr. McIsaac of Boston, from the committee on Ways and Means, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill relative to the Boston Transit Commission. (House, No. 1136.)

City of Boston,
— height of
buildings on
Beacon Hill.

By Mr. Sands of Boston, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 681) of Anna Cabot Lodge and others for legislation to limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston. [Mr. Donovan of Taunton, of the House, dissenting.]

By Mr. Battles of Brockton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 249) of Charles F. Brown and others for legislation to provide for safety guards upon elevators. Elevators, — safety guards.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, Id. leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 707) of Charles F. Brown and others for legislation relative to safety guards on elevators for the protection of the public.

By Mr. Wells of Peabody, from the committee on Public Service, no legislation necessary, on the fifteenth annual report of the Civil Service Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 53). Civil Service Commissioners.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Quigley of Chelmsford, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Bill (recommitted) relative to the payment of bounties to Massachusetts soldiers (House, No. 850) ought not to pass. [Messrs. Marden of Stoneham, Harlow of Whitman and Goulding of Duxbury, of the House, dissenting.] Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill. Massachusetts soldiers, — bounties.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, from the committee on Cities, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 668), a Bill relative to the height of buildings. (House, No. 1137.) [Mr. Sands of Boston, of the House, dissenting.] Buildings, — height.

By Mr. Ainsworth of Fall River, from the same committee, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 509), a Bill to revise the charter of the city of Fall River. (House, No. 1138.) City of Fall River, — charter.

By Mr. Battles of Brockton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the trustees of the Haverhill Young Men's Christian Association. (House, No. 1139.) Haverhill Young Men's Christian Association.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Paton of Leominster, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve relative to the purchase of additional land for the use of the State Normal School at North Adams (House, No. 359) ought to pass. State Normal School at North Adams, — land.

State House, —
stained-glass
window for
Memorial Hall.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the same committee, that the Resolve (recommitted) to provide for procuring a stained-glass window for Memorial Hall in the State House (House, No. 1111) ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading:

Town of Stone-
ham, —
veterans.

By Mr. Marden of Stoneham, from the committee on Military Affairs, on petitions (with accompanying resolves, House, Nos. 784 and 786), a Resolve in favor of certain veterans of the town of Stoneham. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 32) of Walter P. Weston for legislation to amend chapter 549 of the Acts of the year 1898 entitled "An Act to provide an equitable process after judgment in certain cases," was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 461) of the Manufacturers' and Bottlers' Collecting and Distributing Company for legislation to protect the owners of cans, bottles, boxes, siphons and fountains, was accepted, in concurrence.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendment to the House Bill to codify and amend the laws relative to the preservation of trees (House, No. 1022), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Bills :

Relative to notices of petitions to the Supreme Judicial Court for the construction of wills (House, No. 702) ;

To authorize the city of Brockton to take an additional water supply (House, No. 1134) ;

To authorize trust companies to act as executors and in other fiduciary capacities (Senate, No. 258) ; and

Relative to entry fees and other charges in bastardy cases (Senate, No. 303) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting of the town of Lakeville (House, No. 1033) ;

To confirm the acts of certain towns at their annual meetings in the year 1899 (House, No. 1123) ; and

Relative to appeals in actions at law upon demurrers and agreed facts (House, No. 1128) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on April 17, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to incorporate the Marine Park Tower Company (House, No. 1071) was considered and after debate was adopted.

Pending the recurring question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Miller of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 1135).

Pending the amendment and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on further motion of the same gentleman.

The Bill to give to persons sentenced for contempt of court a right to trial by jury (House, No. 381) was considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, was rejected, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, by a vote of 82 to 39, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the rate of excise to be assessed upon and the revocation of locations of street railway companies (House, No. 759) was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Odlin of Andover moved to amend by striking out section 2.

After debate Mr. Hawes of Weymouth moved the previous question, which motion was adopted, by a vote of 57 to 16.

Mr. Dean of Wakefield raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 98 members were present.

On the appearance of a quorum the question was again put, and the main question was ordered, by a vote of 79 to 14.

The amendment moved by Mr. Odlin was then adopted, by a vote of 73 to 42, the House refused to order the bill, as amended, to a third reading, and notice of its rejection was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to military aid (House, No. 1080) was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Marden of Stoneham moved to amend as follows : —

In section 2, by inserting after the word “ended,” in line 14, the words “except when otherwise herein specially limited;”

In section 7, by inserting after the word “ninety-eight,” in line 11, the words “*provided, however,* that those volunteers who, being citizens of Massachusetts, enlisted in Massachusetts regiments after the said twelfth day of August, and prior to the first day of January in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, and were honorably discharged, shall, with their dependent relatives, be entitled to receive the benefits of this act;” and

In section 14, by striking out the word “June,” in line 2, and inserting in place thereof the word “July.”

The amendments were severally adopted and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to State aid (House, No. 1081) was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Marden of Stoneham moved to amend as follows : —

In section 2, by inserting after the word “ninety-eight,” in line 34, the words “*provided, however,* that those volunteers who, being citizens of Massachusetts, enlisted in Massachusetts regiments after the said twelfth day of August, and prior to the first day of January in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, and were honorably discharged, shall, with their dependent relatives, be entitled to receive the benefits of this act;” and

In section 11, by striking out the word “June,” in line 2, and inserting in place thereof the word “July.”

The amendments were severally adopted and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the assessment of a portion of the expense of watering streets in the city of Worcester upon street railway companies (House, No. 1066) was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Sands of Boston moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in lines 1 and 2, the words "the city of Worcester," and inserting in place thereof the words "any city;" and by striking out, in lines 14 and 15, the words "the city of Worcester," and inserting in place thereof the words "such city."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Whipple of Brockton, the amendments were rejected and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read "Bill to provide for the assessment of a part of the expense of watering streets in the city of Worcester upon street railway companies."

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 112) of Torrey E. Wardner for legislation defining contempt of court, establishing the mode of procedure relating to the same and regulating and fixing the punishment therefor, was considered.

Mr. Johnson of Worcester moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relative to contempts of court" (Senate, No. 112).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Hawes of Weymouth, the House refused to substitute the bill and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to define the power of courts and magistrates to punish for contempt (House, No. 540) was taken up.

Pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, Mr. Johnson of Worcester moved that it be postponed for consideration until to-morrow, which motion, after debate, was adopted, and the bill was postponed accordingly.

The Bill to revise the laws relative to the distribution of the estates of deceased persons (House, No. 1082) was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed last in the orders of the day, on motion of Mr. Turtle of Pittsfield, pending the question on passing it to be engrossed.

The Bill relative to the regulation and supervision of wires over streets and buildings in towns (Senate, No. 296) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Wells of Peabody moved to amend as follows:—

In section 1, by inserting after the word "over," in line 3, the words "or under;" by inserting after the word "light," in line 10, the word "heat;" and by inserting after the word "light," in line 22, the words "heat or power;" and

In section 3, by inserting after the word "over," in line 4, the words "or under;" and by inserting after the word "light," in line 6, the word "heat."

After debate the amendments were adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and was sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

The Bill to provide compensation for the Metropolitan Park Commissioners (House, No. 1097) was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Trow of Salem moved that it be postponed for consideration until to-morrow, which motion, after debate, was lost.

Mr. Porter of Lynn moved to amend section 1 by inserting after the word "receive," in lines 6 and 35, in each case, the words "for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine."

The amendments were adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 56 to 21, and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Davenport of Greenfield raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 115 members were present.

On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

On the appearance of a quorum the question was again put, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the sewerage works of the city of Boston (House, No. 90) was taken up.

Pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, Mr. Lanergan of Boston moved that the House adjourn, which motion was lost.

After debate the bill was postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, on motion of Mr. Sullivan of Boston.

The Bill relative to the sewerage works of the city of Boston (House, No. 1129) was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, on motion of Mr. Sullivan of Boston.

The Bill to exempt certain trades unions from the laws relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations (House, No. 469) was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Luce of Somerville moved that it be postponed for consideration until to-morrow, which motion was lost.

After debate the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the inspection of nurseries and orchards, to prevent the introduction therein of injurious insects and to provide for the investigation of the habits of insects injurious to the cranberry (House, No. 1122) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment in section 5, striking out, in line 13, the word "act," and inserting in place thereof the word "section."

The amendment was adopted, and pending the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed,

On motion of Mr. Ross of Boston, at twenty-nine minutes past four o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 27, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock
A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Papers from the Senate.

The following orders were severally adopted, in concurrence:—

Committee on
Cities,—
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Cities shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Friday, April 28.

Joint commit-
tee on the Judi-
ciary,— reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the joint committee on the Judiciary shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Monday, May 1.

Committee on
Metropolitan
Affairs,—
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Metropolitan Affairs shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, May 3.

Committees on
Metropolitan
Affairs and
Water Supply,—
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly, shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, May 3.

The following order, adopted by the Senate, was considered:—

Committee on
Harbors and
Public Lands,—
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Harbors and Public Lands shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, May 10.

On motion of Mr. Myers of Cambridge, the order was amended by striking out "May 10," and inserting in place thereof "May 3," and, as amended, was adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The following order, adopted by the Senate, was considered : —

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Military Affairs shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, May 10. Committee on Military Affairs, — reports.

On motion of Mr. Myers of Cambridge, the order was amended by striking out " May 10," and inserting in place thereof " May 3," and, as amended, was adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

A Bill relative to supplying certain cities and towns with water from the metropolitan water system (Senate, No. 309) (new draft of a bill, Senate, No. 69, taken from the files of last year), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. Metropolitan water system, — supply of water.

The House Resolve to provide for additional copies of the annual report of the Massachusetts Highway Commission (House, No. 1095) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment. Massachusetts Highway Commission, — annual report.

A petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 317) of Thomas M. Babson and another that the time for completing the Millbury, Sutton and Douglas Railroad may be extended, referred by the Senate, under a suspension of the 12th and 9th joint rules, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules. Millbury, Sutton and Douglas Railroad.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of the mayor of the city of Somerville for legislation to authorize said city to acquire and lay out certain land as a public park. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. White of Somerville, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1143) was referred to the committee on Cities. City of Somerville, — public park.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition Clarence W. Gallup, —

justice of the
peace.

of Clarence W. Gallup for legislation to legalize his acts as a justice of the peace. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 1144) was referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

State officers,
— payment of
certain ex-
penses.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the payment of certain expenses from the treasury of the Commonwealth. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the bill (Senate, No. 292) was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Northampton
Insane Hospital,
— buildings.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be not suspended on the petition of E. Morgan and Alvan Barrus, for the trustees of the Northampton Insane Hospital, for legislation relative to barns, stables and other buildings at said hospital. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, the House refused to suspend the 12th joint rule, and the petition was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

City of Boston,
— petitions for
damages under
the southern
union station
act.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be not suspended on the petition of Oscar B. Mowry and others for legislation to extend the time for filing petitions for damages under the act to provide for a union station for passengers on railroads entering the southerly part of the city of Boston.

Id.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1146) of Oscar B. Mowry and another for legislation relative to the time of filing petitions for the assessment of damages accruing from the location and construction of railroads under the act to provide for a union station for passengers on railroads entering the southerly part of the city of Boston.

Peddlers.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be not suspended on the petition

of William J. Bullock for legislation to grant further powers to city and town officers relative to licensing and regulating peddlers.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, from the committee on Rules, that the House should not concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for the retirement of judges of probate (Senate, No. 297).

Judges of probate, — retirement.

By Mr. Lombard of Springfield, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 818) of Willard Howland for legislation to authorize the construction of a canal across Cape Cod by convict labor.

Cape Cod, — construction of a canal by convict labor.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game (House, No. 335) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 1141.)

Board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the Westborough Insane Hospital (House, No. 1106) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Resolve to reimburse expenses for damages from fire and for fire alarms at the Westborough Insane Hospital." (House, No. 1142.)

Westborough Insane Hospital, — damages from fire; fire alarms.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Nickerson of Harwich, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, that the Bill (introduced on leave) making an appropriation for the repair and improvement of harbors (House, No. 375) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title, "Bill making an appropriation for the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners."

Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners, — harbors.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, from the committee on Public Service, that the Bill (recommitted) to provide for the appointment of a committee to regulate and equalize the salaries of state and county officials (House, No. 1079) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title.

State and county officials, — salaries.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Motion to Take from the Table.

Street railway
companies, —
enclosed plat-
forms on cars.

Mr. Ames of Lowell moved to take from the table the report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 102) of Richard Cullinane and Freeman O. Emerson and others for legislation to require street railway companies to enclose the platforms of their cars during certain months of the year, which motion, after debate, was lost.

Taken from the Table.

Town of Long-
meadow, —
water supply.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Springfield, the report of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 735) of the selectmen of the town of Longmeadow for legislation to authorize said town to take land for the purposes and protection of its water supply, was taken from the table and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

City of Boston,
— local option
by districts.

On motions of Mr. Estes of Brockton, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 279) of Charles F. Kittredge and others for legislation to provide for local option by districts in the city of Boston, was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed last in the orders of the day.

Street railway
companies, —
mail and ex-
press matter.

On motion of Mr. Paton of Leominster, the Bill to authorize street railway companies to carry mail and express matter (House, No. 443) was taken from the table and was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Street Railways, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Telephone
companies, —
charges and
service.

On motions of Mr. King of Boston, the report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 709) of W. A. Davenport and another for legislation to regulate charges for telephone service, was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Labor, — con-
tract system on
public works.

On motions of Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, the Bill to abolish the contract system on public works (House, No. 337) was taken from the table and postponed for con-

sideration until Thursday next, to be placed in the orders of the day, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Labor.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. Willard of Chelsea, the Bill to amend the charter of the city of Chelsea (Senate, No. 304) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the bill was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of Mr. Willard.

City of Chelsea,
— charter.

On motion of Mr. Battles of Brockton, the Bill to incorporate the trustees of the Haverhill Young Men's Christian Association (House, No. 1139) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the bill was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of Mr. Battles.

Haverhill
Young Men's
Christian
Association.

On motion of Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, the Bill relative to the board of estimate and apportionment of the city of Boston (House, No. 1131) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was laid on the table, on further motion of the same gentleman.

City of Boston,
— board of
estimate and
apportionment.

On motions of Mr. Saunders of Boston, the report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 681) of Anna Cabot Lodge and others for legislation to limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, by a vote of 56 to 0, and laid on the table.

City of Boston,
— height of
buildings on
Beacon Hill.

On motions of Mr. Tatman of Worcester, the Bill relative to prudential and industrial insurance conducted on the assessment or level premium plan (House, No.

Prudential and
industrial
insurance.

448) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Monday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Insurance.

Metropolitan
water system,—
boating and
fishing on ponds
and reservoirs.

On motions of Mr. Sullivan of Natick, the Bill to permit boating and fishing on the ponds and reservoirs of the metropolitan water system (House, No. 137) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day, pending the question on its reference to the next General Court, as recommended by the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the powers of the school committee of the city of Lawrence ;

To codify and amend the laws relative to the preservation of trees ;

To incorporate the trustees of the Haverhill Young Men's Christian Association ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relative to caucuses and elections ;

Relative to unauthorized structures in a city or town ;
Relative to discharges from the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates ; and

To authorize the town of Framingham to appropriate money to pay certain expenses incurred for street watering in the year 1898 ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves :

Relative to summer institutes for teachers ;

In favor of the Massachusetts Agricultural College ;

To provide electric lights for the Worcester Insane Asylum ;

To provide for certain alterations and additions at the asylum for insane criminals at the State Farm ;

To provide for the erection of a cold storage building at the Northampton Insane Hospital ;

To provide for the purchase of land, the erection of buildings and for certain improvements at the State Almshouse ;

To provide for certain improvements at the State Farm and for the purchase of farm lands and cows ; and

Relative to reclaiming and improving waste and unused land with the labor of prisoners from jails and houses of correction ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, Senate, No. 114) of Henry C. Whitney for the passage of a resolve providing for an investigation concerning the laws relative to proceedings after execution, particularly with reference to the poor debtor court and the Dubuque law, so called ;

Orders of the day.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 249) of Charles F. Brown and others for legislation to provide for safety guards upon elevators ; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 707) of Charles F. Brown and others for legislation relative to safety guards on elevators for the protection of the public ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, no legislation necessary, on the fifteenth annual report of the Civil Service Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 53) ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 495) of Charles W. Felt for compensation for damages caused by the construction of the metropolitan water system, was accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the payment of bounties to Massachusetts soldiers (House, No. 850) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Military Affairs, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The report of the committee on Ways and Means, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill relative to the Boston Transit Commission (House, No. 1136), was accepted, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to revise the charter of the city of Fall River (House, No. 1138) and

Resolves :

Relative to the purchase of additional land for the use of the State Normal School at North Adams (House, No. 359) ; and

To provide for procuring a stained-glass window for Memorial Hall in the State House (House, No. 1111) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relative to notices of petitions to the Supreme Judicial Court for the construction of wills (House, No. 702) ; and

To authorize the city of Brockton to take an additional water supply (House, No. 1134) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to entry fees and other charges in bastardy cases (Senate, No. 303) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the inspection of nurseries and orchards, to prevent the introduction therein of injurious insects and to provide for an investigation of the habits of insects injurious to the cranberry (House, No. 1122) was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Myers of Cambridge moved to amend as follows :—

In section 1, by striking out, in lines 1 to 10, inclusive, the words “ The trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, upon the passage of this act, shall appoint one or more competent entomologists, who shall be known as state inspectors of nurseries and orchards, to act under the direction of the entomologist of the Hatch Experiment Station of the Massachusetts Agricultural College. It shall be the duty of said inspectors to make inspections at least once each year of all nurseries in the Commonwealth,” and inserting in place thereof the

words "The Governor is hereby authorized, upon the passage of this act, to appoint one competent entomologist, who shall be known as State Inspector of Nurseries. It shall be the duty of said inspector, during the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, to make inspections of any and all lands within the limits of the Commonwealth known or designated as nurseries ;"

By striking out section 3 ;

By striking out all of section 6, as printed, after the word "treatment," in line 11, and inserting in place thereof the words "and also to make a report of the result of his investigations, with such recommendations as he may think desirable, to the next General Court on or before the first day of February in the year nineteen hundred ;" and

By striking out section 7, as printed, and inserting in place thereof the following : "*Section 6.* The compensation of said inspector shall be ten dollars for each and every day of service rendered in the performance of his duties, in the examination of any nursery or investigation into the habits of any insects that are destructive to the cranberry, in addition to his necessary travelling and incidental expenses, which shall be paid to him out of the treasury of the Commonwealth, subject to the approval of the Governor and Council : *provided, however,* that the amount thus expended shall not exceed the sum of two thousand dollars."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, the amendments were adopted, by a vote of 63 to 60, and the bill, as amended (House, No. 1145), was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 86 to 26, and sent up for concurrence, its title having been amended, on further motion of Mr. Myers, by striking out the words "and orchards."

The Bill relative to the construction and repair of State highways (House, No. 1098) was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, it was voted that debate be closed at quarter-past three o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached.

Mr. Grimes of Reading moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in lines 6 and 7, the words "machinery for the construction or repair of roads," and inserting in place thereof the words "such machinery as may be deemed necessary for the construction and repair of State

or town roads, and the highway commission may allow said road machinery to be used by town authorities in the construction or repair of town roads at such times and on such conditions as may be agreed upon."

Mr. Davenport of Greenfield moved to amend as follows:—

In section 1, by striking out, in lines 7 to 9, inclusive, the words "and one hundred thousand dollars shall be reserved for expenses incurred after January first, nineteen hundred;" and

In section 3, by striking out, in line 18, the words "gold coin," and inserting in place thereof the word "money;" and by striking out, in lines 18 and 19, the words "or its equivalent."

Mr. Mills of Newburyport moved to amend by inserting after section 3 the following new section: "*Section 4.* It shall be the duty of the Massachusetts Highway Commission to apportion the appropriation provided for in this act on a fixed, just and equitable basis to each city and town in the Commonwealth; and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed."

After debate the amendment moved by Mr. Grimes was adopted, the amendments moved by Messrs. Davenport and Mills were severally rejected, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 118 to 14, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to impose a tax on legacies, successions and certain other transfers and to provide for the distribution of the proceeds of the same (House, No. 654) was considered.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Saunders moved that it be referred to the next General Court.

Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in line 2, the words "real and."

Mr. Chandler of Somerville moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in lines 2 and 3, the words "not exceeding fifty thousand dollars of one per centum."

Mr. Judd of Holyoke moved to amend section 3 by striking out in line 6, the word "ten," and inserting in place thereof the word "thirty;" and by striking out, in lines 6 to 10, inclusive, the words "Five thousand dollars of the total amount passing to the persons hereinbefore named in this section shall be exempt from such tax,

if the clear market value of the decedent's estate exceeds ten thousand dollars but is not more than twenty-five thousand dollars."

Pending the amendments, pending the motion of Mr. Saunders and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed,

On motion of Mr. Luce of Somerville, at twenty-five minutes past four o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 28, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by Reverend Charles H. Daniels of Newton.

Introduced on Leave.

Town of
Danvers, —
fire department.

By Mr. Learoyd of Danvers, a Bill to repeal the act establishing a fire department for the town of Danvers. The bill having been read, Mr. Learoyd moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Petitions Presented.

Town of
Stoneham, —
burial ground
and public park.

By Mr. Marden of Stoneham, petition of the selectmen of the town of Stoneham for legislation to authorize said town to discontinue the use of certain land as a burial ground, to re-inter bodies of the dead and to establish a public park. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Widow of
Franklin A.
Gowen.

By Mr. Dean of Wakefield, petition of Charles A. Dean and others for legislation to authorize the payment from the treasury of the Commonwealth of a sum of money to the widow of Franklin A. Gowen. Mr. Lombard of Springfield moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Nantasket
Beach, — public
reservation.

By Mr. Gilpatric of Boston, petitions of George A. Wooster, James R. Crozier and others and Septimus J. Hanna, John J. May and others; by Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition of David Floyd, George M. Ingalls and others; by Mr. Libby of Medford, petition of Thomas L. Spurr, Alfred C. Vinton and others; by Mr. Newton of Everett, petition of Wilmot R. Evans, Amos E. Hall and others; and by Mr. Smith of Waltham, petition of Charles E. Harrington, Eloise A. Sears and others, —

severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation.

Severally placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill relative to the appointment of assistant assessors in the city of Medford (printed as House, No. 1119) (introduced on leave in the House), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was ordered to a second reading, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Libby of Medford, the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

City of Medford, — assistant assessors.

Bills :

Relative to clerical assistance for clerks of courts (Senate, No. 271) (new draft of a bill introduced on leave in the Senate) ;

Clerks of courts, — clerical assistance.

To extend the time within which petitions may be filed for damages sustained by the taking of real estate for the metropolitan water works (Senate, No. 310) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 239) ;

Metropolitan water system, — petitions for damages.

Relative to inks for public records and to making such records by means of typewriting machines (Senate, No. 311) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 15, and on the annual report of the Commissioner of Public Records, Pub. Doc. No. 52, in part) ; and

Public records, — inks; use of typewriting machines.

To provide for the protection of historical monuments (Senate, No. 312) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 61) ;

Historical monuments, — protection.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill making appropriations for the Massachusetts Highway Commission (Senate, No. 308) (new draft of a bill, House, No. 836, passed to be engrossed by the House), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Massachusetts Highway Commission, — appropriations.

Notice was received of the rejection by the Senate of the following House bills : —

Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Martin F. McDonald (House, No. 583) ;

City of Boston, — widow of Martin F. McDonald.

City of Boston,
— widow of
Daniel F.
Cadigan.

Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Daniel F. Cadigan (House, No. 783) ;

Trustee process.
City of Boston,
— board of
aldermen.

Bill relative to the trustee process (House, No. 947) ;
Bill relative to the salaries of, and the use of carriages by, members of the board of aldermen of the city of Boston (House, No. 980) ;

Street railway
companies, —
locations.

Bill relative to granting locations to street railway companies (House, No. 986) ;

Steam boilers,
— returns.

Bill relative to the making of returns concerning steam boilers (House, No. 1000) ; and

Labor, —
public work.

Bill to provide for a uniform rate of wages and hours of labor for workmen engaged in public work (House, No. 1048).

Election of
United States
senators.

Also that the Resolutions relative to the election of United States senators (Senate, No. 47) had been rejected by the Senate.

Human life, —
protection in
fire or panic.

Also that the Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for the better protection of human life in case of fire or panic (House, No. 1031) had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the Senate having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of said rule.

Reports of Committees.

Massachusetts
Maritime Canal
Company, —
charter.

By Mr. Francis of New Bedford, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 830) of John H. Rice and others for legislation to revive the charter of the Massachusetts Maritime Canal Company and to extend the time within which said company is required to comply with certain provisions of the same.

Civil causes, —
new trials.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 521) of H. Huestis Newton for legislation relative to new trials in civil causes. [Messrs. Johnson of Worcester, Brigham of Marlborough and Davenport of Greenfield, of the House, dissenting.]

City of Boston,
— board of
estimate and
apportionment.

By Mr. Sullivan of Boston, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 76) of John Bordman, Jr., for legislation abolishing the board of apportionment

of the city of Boston. [Messrs. Russell of Boston, Lomasney of Boston and Weston of Hyde Park, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. Davenport of Greenfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) providing for the abolition of the death penalty (House, No. 136) be referred to the next General Court. [Messrs. Washburn and Kenefick, of the Senate, and Stone of Springfield, Howland of Chelsea, Johnson of Worcester, Turtle of Pittsfield and Brigham of Marlborough, of the House, dissenting.]

Death penalty,
— abolition.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the punishment for murder (House, No. 380) be referred to the next General Court. [Messrs. Washburn and Kenefick, of the Senate, and Stone of Springfield, Howland of Chelsea, Johnson of Worcester, Turtle of Pittsfield and Brigham of Marlborough, of the House, dissenting.]

Murder, —
punishment.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question, in each case, being on the reference of the bill to the next General Court.

By Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, from the committee on Counties on the part of the House, that the Bill to authorize additional clerical assistance for the clerk of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business (Senate, No. 300) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

City of Boston,
— assistance
for clerk of
municipal
court.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Trow of Salem, the Bill relative to the exemption of the property of soldiers and sailors and their wives or widows from taxation (House, No. 378) was taken from the table, and after debate was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Taxation, by a vote of 91 to 23, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Taxation, —
soldiers and
sailors.

On motion of Mr. Judd of Holyoke, the report of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 41) of Charles L. Morgan and Mary H. Hunt and others for amendments of the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught

Public schools,
— physiology
and hygiene.

in the public schools so as to more fully define the schools in which they shall be taught, the methods of instruction and the character of text-books ; to provide penalties for non-compliance with the requirements of the law ; to provide for the supervision of the instruction, and to provide for the enforcement of the law (together with certain reasons for the report, printed as Senate, No. 282) was taken from the table and considered.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Hayes of Lowell, the report was accepted, in concurrence.

Opinion of the Attorney-General,— authority of cities and towns over roads and parks within park reservations.

On motion of Mr. Marden of Stoneham, the order requesting the Attorney-General to examine House Bill, No. 1001, entitled "An Act to authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to grant locations to street railway companies," together with existing laws upon the subject, and to report to the General Court what authority, if any, over roads and parks within the park reservations would be possessed, after the passage of the said act, by the cities or towns owning such roads and parks, — was taken from the table, and after debate was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To amend the charter of the city of Chelsea ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the children of Frederic B. Bogan ;

Making appropriations for the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary, for repairs and improvements at certain institutions and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relative to entry fees and other charges in bastardy cases ; and

Relative to the appointment of assistant assessors in the city of Medford ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Resolves passed.

Relative to a supply of water for the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

Relative to the distribution of the Massachusetts Military and Naval History ; and

To provide for the erection of a building for a model and practice school in connection with the State Normal School at Fitchburg ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motions of Mr. Smith of Waltham, the Bill to provide for the construction of a high-level gravity sewer for the relief of the Charles and Neponset River valleys (House, No. 1085) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading.

Metropolitan
Sewerage Com-
missioners, —
high-level
gravity sewer
for the Charles
and Neponset
River valleys.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 709) of W. A. Davenport and another for legislation to regulate charges for telephone service, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 58) of John A. Keliher for legislation providing for nominating senators in Suffolk County by direct plurality vote, was accepted, in concurrence.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendments to the House Resolve to provide for additional copies of the annual report of the Massachusetts Highway Commission (House, No. 1095), and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Resolve to reimburse expenses for damages from fire and for fire alarms at the Westborough Insane Hospital (House, No. 1142) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to impose a tax on legacies, successions and certain other transfers and to provide for the distribution of the proceeds of the same (House, No. 654), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Judd of Holyoke moved that debate be closed at twenty minutes before one o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached, and that speeches be limited to five minutes each.

Mr. Luce of Somerville moved to amend the motion by striking out the word "five," and inserting in place thereof the word "ten."

The amendment was adopted and the motion of Mr. Judd, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. Dean of Wakefield moved to amend as follows:—

By striking out the first eleven lines of section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following: "*Section 1.* A tax on its clear market value shall be imposed upon the transfer of any property, real or personal, or interest therein, whether corporeal or incorporeal, of the value of five hundred dollars or more in trust or otherwise at the rate per cent. of such market value fixed as follows in the following cases: When such market value does not exceed fifty thousand dollars, such rate shall be one per centum. When such market value exceeds fifty thousand dollars, but does not exceed one hundred thousand dollars, such rate shall be two per centum. When such market value exceeds one hundred thousand dollars, but does not exceed five hundred thousand dollars, such rate shall be three per centum. When such market value exceeds five hundred thousand dollars, but does not exceed one million dollars, such rate shall be four per centum. When such market value exceeds one million dollars, but does not exceed five million dollars, such rate shall be six per centum. When such market value exceeds five million dollars, such rate shall be eight per centum;" and

By striking out section 18, as printed, and inserting in place thereof the following: "*Section 23.* But this act shall not in any way affect the assessment or collection of any tax laid or imposed under the provisions of chapter four hundred and twenty-five of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-one, and acts in amendment thereof, or any of the provisions of said acts; and no tax shall be laid under this act upon the transfer of any property or interest therein taxable under said acts."

On motion of Mr. Dean, the order requiring the Speaker to declare a recess at ten minutes before one o'clock was suspended.

The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, was adopted.

The pending amendments, moved by Messrs. Chandler of Somerville and Judd of Holyoke, were severally rejected.

The amendment moved by Mr. Dean to section 1 was adopted, by a vote of 81 to 10, and the remaining amendment, moved by the same gentleman, was also adopted.

The pending motion of Mr. Saunders of Boston, that the bill be referred to the next General Court, was lost.

The question was then put on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed.

Mr. Saunders raised the point of order that, amendments having been adopted substantially changing the greater part of the bill, the question should not at this time be put on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, but that, under House Rule 62, it should be placed in the orders of the day for Monday. Point of order.

The Chair (Mr. Paton of Leominster) declared the point of order well taken, and the bill, as amended (House, No. 1147), was placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lowell, at one minute before one o'clock, the House took a recess until two o'clock.

The report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 117) of John F. O'Sullivan for legislation to prohibit the employment of children under eighteen years of age and of women in places where intoxicating liquors are sold or prepared for sale, was considered.

Mr. Ross of New Bedford moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to promote temperance among minors and females" (printed as Senate, No. 117).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Shaw of Raynham, the bill was substituted, and having been read was placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

The Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the transportation of letter carriers on street cars in the city of Boston, was considered, and after debate was referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House refusing to suspend said rule.

The Bill to define the power of courts and magistrates to punish for contempt (House, No. 540) was considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered,

on motion of Mr. Davis of Cambridge, was rejected, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, by a vote of 49 to 41.

Mr. Newton of Everett raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 103 members were present.

On motion of Mr. Ames of Lowell, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

On the appearance of a quorum the question was again put, the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee, was negatived, by a vote of 55 to 60, and it was placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

The Bill relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations (House, No. 1118) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment, striking out section 17 and inserting in place thereof the following: "*Section 17.* Any fraternal beneficiary organization, or any association that limits its membership to a particular order, class or fraternity, or to the employees of towns, cities, the Commonwealth, or the federal government, or of a designated firm, business house or corporation, or any secret fraternity or order, or any existing purely charitable association or corporation, any one of which pays a death or funeral benefit not exceeding two hundred dollars, or disability benefits not exceeding ten dollars a week, or both, and which is not conducted as a business enterprise or for profit, is hereby authorized to transact in this Commonwealth such business, without otherwise conforming to the provisions of this act."

Mr. Whipple of Brockton moved to amend section 6 by striking out, in line 19, the words "a legislative or," and inserting in place thereof the word "an."

The amendments were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to exempt from equitable process the sum of not less than ten dollars per week of a debtor's income (House, No. 545) was considered, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered,

on motion of Mr. Hayes of Lowell, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Carey of Haverhill, and the roll being called the bill was rejected, as recommended by the committee, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The vote was 69 yeas to 56 nays, as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles H.	Messrs. McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
Ames, Butler	McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
Bleiler, John	Miller, Charles H.
Brown, Henry L.	Mills, Charles P.
Burgess, Albert H.	Minton, John M.
Burrington, Lester L.	Munroe, John P.
Chadwick, N. Henry	Myers, James J.
Chandler, Leonard B.	Neal, David
Chase, Henry L.	Pike, William T.
Clerke, Charles S.	Porter, Thomas F.
Cluer, Arthur H.	Powers, John A.
Coolidge, Daniel S.	Ramsdell, Charles H.
Crosby, Aaron S.	Root, Albert B.
Crosby, Alfred R.	Rounseville, Albert
Crosby, J. Howell	Russell, Arthur P.
Dalton, J. Frank	Schofield, William
Dean, Benjamin C.	Selfridge, George S.
Dudley, George J.	Sheppard, Eben W.
Eddy, Curtis	Simmons, Arthur A.
Gilpatric, Fred C.	Sisson, Robert S.
Green, Thomas H.	Skinner, Henry R.
Grimes, James W.	Smith, Allen F.
Harlow, Franklin P.	Spooner, Wallace
Harvell, Elisha T.	Sprague, Eugene H.
Harwood, Herbert J.	Stalker, Hugh L.
Heath, Guilford P.	Stanley, Benjamin F.
Henderson, Francis D.	Stewart, Joseph I.
Hooper, Franklin K.	Stone, Silas A.
Howland, Willard	Stone, Willmore B.
Kells, William, Jr.	Turner, Henry E.
Leslie, George F.	Wallace, S. Ives
Libby, John F.	Watson, Walter S.
Lombard, Edward M.	Wheeler, William D.
Lowe, John H.	White, Horace C.
Luce, Robert	

NAYS.

Messrs. Balcom, George	Messrs. Carey, James F.
Battles, David W.	Cullinane, Richard
Bresnahan, Hugh W.	Daly, William
Bridgeo, William	Davis, Daniel W.
Brigham, William M.	Davis, William R.

Messrs. Dean, Charles A.	Messrs. Marden, William H.
Donahue, Thomas	McIsaac, Daniel V.
Donovan, Edward J.	McLoughlin, William I.
Donovan, James H.	Mellen, James H.
Estes, Eugene B.	Minihan, Cornelius
Fitzgerald, William T. A.	Montgomery, James A.
Flanagan, John J.	Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
Gaddis, Michael E.	Paton, Alexander S.
Gartland, John J., Jr.	Queeney, James H.
Grant, Oliver S.	Ray, Albert H.
Hancock, Portus B.	Reed, Silas D.
Hayes, William H. I.	Ross, Leonard W.
Kane, Daniel J.	Salter, William R.
Keyou, Nicholas B.	Scates, Louis M.
King, Charles F.	Sullivan, Michael J.
King, Randolph V.	Sullivan, Timothy F.
Lanergan, John P.	Toland, John I.
Lomasney, Martin M.	Toomey, John J.
Love, Joseph P.	Twomey, Edmund J.
Mackey, Thomas	Varney, George E.
Mahoney, David A.	Whelan, John B.
Mahony, Frederick C.	Whipple, John J.
Marchesseault, Eugene D.	Wood, Alva S.

69 yeas ; 56 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Marchant, Charles S.*	Messrs. Ross, Samuel
Leland, Francis	Tatman, Charles T.*
Harvie, Robert B.*	Currier, Guy W.
Newton, H. Huestis*	Donovan, Michael J.

* Present.

The Bill relative to the watering of streets in the city of Boston (House, No. 1132) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. McIsaac of Boston moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in lines 11, 12 and 13, the words "or may provide that any of such districts shall be watered at the expense of the city."

After debate, pending the amendment and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading,

On motion of Mr. Ramsdell of Lynn, at twenty-eight minutes past four o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, May 1, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Expenses of Committees.

A communication was received from the Sergeant-at-Arms, in accordance with Joint Rule 3, submitting a statement of the expenses of committees for the month ending April 29, 1899, as furnished by the Auditor of Accounts. (House, No. 1148.) Read and sent to the Senate.

Sergeant-at-Arms, — expenses of committees.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads be authorized to hold its meetings during the sessions of the General Court.

Committee on Railroads, — meetings.

Sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Dumond of Boston, a Bill relative to the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors. The bill having been read, Mr. Reed of Taunton moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Intoxicating Liquors, — number of licenses.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, petition of officers of the Salem Seaman's Orphan and Children's Friend Society for legislation to authorize said society to become the guardian of minors. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Salem Seaman's Orphan and Children's Friend Society.

By Mr. Ross of Boston, petition of Leonard W. Ross, for Knollwood Cemetery, for legislation to authorize the water commissioners of the town of Canton to supply said cemetery with water and to construct works necessary therefor. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint

Knollwood Cemetery, — water from the town of Canton.

rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Nantasket
Beach, — public
reservation.

By Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, petition of Henry P. Walcott, William B. Durant and others; by Mr. Langford of Newton, petitions of Sterling Elliott, Aaron Wolfson and others and Osborne Howes, F. Elliot Cabot and others; and by Mr. Wood of Woburn, petition of C. A. Burdett, H. E. Packer and others, — severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation.

Severally placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

City of Boston,
— Harris collec-
tion of books.

A report of the committee on Libraries and the joint committee on the Judiciary, sitting jointly, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 49) of the trustees of the public library of the city of Boston for authority to transfer the Harris collection of books from the Charlestown Public Library to the central library building, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills:

City of Boston,
— school build-
ings.

Relative to additions, alterations and repairs on school buildings in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 151) (reported on a petition) [Messrs. Fitzgerald of Boston and Sullivan of Boston, of the House, dissenting]; and

Foreign surety
companies, —
surety on bonds
to the Common-
wealth.

Relative to the authority of foreign surety companies to become surety on bonds to the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 207) (reported on the annual report of the Attorney-General, Pub. Doc. No. 12, in part);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Wachusett
Mountain State
Reservation.

A Bill to establish the Wachusett Mountain State Reservation in the county of Worcester (Senate, No. 289) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, House, No. 313), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Political com-
mittees and
caucuses of
political parties.

The House Bill relative to political committees and caucuses of political parties (House, No. 690) came down

passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

The House Bill relative to the duties of judges of probate and insolvency (House, No. 1020) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Judges of probate and insolvency,—duties.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Crosby of Barnstable, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 737) of H. W. Armstrong that he and his associates may be authorized to construct, maintain and operate a canal across Cape Cod. [Mr. Nickerson of Harwich, of the House, dissenting.]

Cape Cod canal,—H. W. Armstrong.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Attorney-General (Pub. Doc. No. 12).

Attorney-General,—annual report.

By Mr. Minton of Boston, from the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the seventh annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth (Pub. Doc. No. 46) as was referred to said committee.

Secretary of the Commonwealth,—annual report.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Estes of Brockton, from the committee on Federal Relations, on the report of the board of commissioners on the boundary line between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the State of New Hampshire (House, No. 860), a Bill to establish the boundary line between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the State of New Hampshire. (House, No. 1149.)

Commonwealth of Massachusetts and State of New Hampshire,—boundary line.

By Mr. Odlin of Andover, from the committee on the Liquor Law, that the Bill (recommitted) relative to the rights of owners of real estate in the matter of granting of liquor licenses (House, No. 954) ought to pass, in a new draft, with a similar title. (House, No. 1150.) [Messrs. Harrington and Patch, of the Senate, and Estes

Intoxicating liquors,—rights of real estate owners in the granting of licenses.

of Brockton and Litchfield of Lunenburg, of the House, dissenting.]

Worcester and
Clinton Street
Railway Com-
pany.

By Mr. Persons of Maynard, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1125), a Bill to authorize the Worcester and Clinton Street Railway Company to act as a common carrier of merchandise, baggage and the United States mail. (House, No. 1151.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

City of Boston,
— grammar and
primary school-
houses.

On motion of Mr. Russell of Boston, the report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 123) of Edward I. Aldrich and others for legislation to provide for grammar and primary schoolhouses in the city of Boston, was taken from the table and was accepted, in concurrence.

Millican, —
highway and
sidewalk at
muster-field in
Framingham.

On motion of Mr. Twombly of Framingham, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on April 21, referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the Bill to provide for the construction of a highway and sidewalk over land of the Commonwealth at the State muster-field in the town of Framingham (House, No. 1096) was taken from the table and was adopted. Pending the recurring question on referring the bill to the next General Court, it was recommitted to the committee on Ways and Means, on further motion of the same gentleman.

George O.
Bent, — annuity.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the motion of Mr. Twombly of Framingham to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on March 17, refused to order to a third reading the Resolve in favor of an increased annuity to George O. Bent (House, No. 805) was taken from the table, and was withdrawn by Mr. Twombly, there being no objection.

Street railway
companies, —
enclosed plat-
forms on cars.

On motions of Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, the report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 102) of Richard Cullinane and Freeman O. Emerson and others for legislation to require street railway companies to enclose the platforms of their cars during certain months of the year, was taken from the table and post-

poned for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

On motions of Mr. Reed of Taunton, the Bill to require railroad companies to equip their cars with platform gates (House, No. 649) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Railroads.

Railroad companies, — platform gates on cars.

On motions of Mr. Hayes of Lowell, the Bill to authorize the appointment of a permanent court officer for the probate court of the county of Middlesex (House, No. 1019) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day, pending the question on passing it to be engrossed.

County of Middlesex, — permanent court officer for probate court.

On motions of Mr. Selfridge of Boston, the bills :

Relative to the assumption of risks of danger by employees (House, No. 539) ;

Employers' liability.

Relative to injuries upon or about railroads and railways (House, No. 544) ;

Id.

To amend an act relative to employers' liability (House, No. 631) ; and

To amend the employers' liability acts (House, No. 632) ;

Were severally taken from the table and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day, pending the question, in each case, on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary.

On motions of Mr. Reed of Taunton, the report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 592) of Lafayette G. Blair for legislation relative to the transportation of bicycles as baggage, was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Railroad companies, — transportation of bicycles.

On motions of Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, the Bill requiring railroad companies to transport bicycles as baggage (House, No. 292) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day, pending the question on its reference to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Railroads.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

- Engrossed bills :
- Bills enacted.** Relative to renovated butter, so called ;
 Relative to the printing and distribution of the Blue Book ;
 In further addition to an act making an appropriation for deficiencies in appropriations authorized in the year 1898 ; and
 To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the mother of Joseph D. Lane ;
 (Which severally originated in the House) ;
 Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.
- Resolve passed.** An engrossed Resolve in favor of John O'Neil (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders of the Day.

- City of Boston, — watering of streets.** Mr. Dean of Brookline moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill relative to the watering of streets in the city of Boston (House, No. 1132), which motion, after debate, was lost.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

- City of Boston, — filing petitions for damages under the southern union station act.** On motion of Mr. Dean of Brookline, the petition of Oscar B. Mowry and another for legislation relative to the time of filing petitions for the assessment of damages accruing from the location and construction of railroads under the act to provide for a union station for passengers on railroads entering the southerly part of the city of Boston, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. The 12th joint rule was suspended and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1146) was referred to the committee on Railroads and sent up for concurrence.

- Id.** On further motions of Mr. Dean, the petition of Oscar B. Mowry and others for legislation to extend the time for filing petitions for damages under the act to provide for a union station for passengers on railroads entering the southerly part of the city of Boston, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the

rule, and laid on the table, pending the question on the suspension of the 12th joint rule.

On motions of Mr. Howland of Chelsea, the report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 818) of Willard Howland for legislation to authorize the construction of a canal across Cape Cod by convict labor, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

Cape Cod, —
construction of
a canal by
convict labor.

On motion of Mr. Donahue of Fall River, the Bill to promote temperance among minors and females (printed as Senate, No. 117) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, by a vote of 45 to 3. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until Friday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Women and
minors, —
temperance.

On motions of Mr. Sullivan of Boston, the report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 76) of John Bordman, Jr., for legislation abolishing the board of apportionment of the city of Boston, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Friday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

City of Boston,
— board of
estimate and
apportionment.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 830) of John H. Rice and others for legislation to revive the charter of the Massachusetts Maritime Canal Company and to extend the time within which said company is required to comply with certain provisions of the same, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the
day.

Bills :

Relative to clerical assistance for clerks of courts (Senate, No. 271) ;

Relative to the registration and protection of labels, trademarks, stamps and forms of advertisements (Senate, No. 298) ;

To authorize additional clerical assistance for the clerk of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business (Senate, No. 300) ;

Relative to supplying certain cities and towns with water from the metropolitan water system (Senate, No. 309) ;

To extend the time within which petitions may be filed for damages sustained by the taking of real estate for the metropolitan water works (Senate, No. 310) ;

Relative to inks for public records and to making such records by means of typewriting machines (Senate, No. 311) ; and

To provide for the protection of historical monuments (Senate, No. 312) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the extension of Atlantic avenue, formerly Cove street, in the city of Boston (House, No. 1124) ; and

Resolves :

Relative to the purchase of additional land for the use of the State Normal School at North Adams (House, No. 359) ; and

To repay expenses for damages from fire and to pay for fire alarms at the Westborough Insane Hospital (House, No. 1142) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Brockton (Senate, No. 261) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the watering of streets in the city of Boston (House, No. 1132), being the unfinished business of Friday last, was further considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

After debate the pending amendment moved by Mr. McIsaac of Boston was rejected, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to prudential and industrial insurance conducted on the assessment or level premium plan (House,

No. 448) was considered, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Insurance.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and the roll being called the bill was rejected, as recommended by the committee, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The vote was 99 yeas to 70 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.
Adams, Charles H.
Ainsworth, Wilfred
Bartlett, Edwin
Battles, David W.
Bennett, Frank P.
Briggs, Clarence A.
Brigham, William M.
Burrington, Lester L.
Campbell, Andrew
Carleton, George H.
Chandler, Leonard B.
Chapple, William D.
Chase, Henry L.
Cluer, Arthur H.
Cole, Samuel
Conwell, Robert E.
Cook, Clifford A.
Coolidge, Daniel S.
Crosby, Aaron S.
Crosby, Alfred R.
Crosby, J. Howell
Dalton, J. Frank
Dean, Benjamin C.
Dean, George Z.
Douglass, John J.
Drake, Frederic P.
Dudley, George J.
Fisher, George E.
Fitts, Frank E.
Folsom, Albert T.
Foster, Frank A.
Francis, Frank W.
Goulding, Albert M.
Hagberg, John G.
Harlow, Franklin P.
Harwood, George F.
Hawes, Martin E.

Messrs. Hayes, William H. I.
Haywood, Charles E.
Heath, Guilford P.
Henderson, Francis D.
Hooper, Franklin K.
Hopewell, William
Horton, Henry T.
Howland, Charles W.
Howland, Willard
Hunt, James
Judd, William E.
King, Randolph V.
Learoyd, Addison P.
Leland, Francis
Libby, John F.
Litchfield, William C.
Lockhart, Alexander
Love, Joseph P.
Lowe, John H.
Mahoney, David A.
Marchant, Charles S.
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
Mead, Edward C.
Miller, Calvin S.
Miller, Charles H.
Morrison, Andrew H.
Munroe, John P.
Myers, James J.
Newton, H. Huestis
Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.
Parker, William C.
Persons, Charles H.
Porter, Thomas F.
Powers, John A.
Puffer, Herbert C.
Ramsdell, Charles H.
Robinson, Lewis D.
Ross, Leonard W.

Messrs. Sands, Edward P.
 Schofield, William
 Simmons, Arthur A.
 Skillings, William E.
 Skinner, Henry R.
 Smith, Charles F. A.
 Stalker, Hugh L.
 Stanley, Benjamin F.
 Stone, Silas A.
 Stone, Willmore B.
 Swift, William S.
 Tatman, Charles T.

Messrs. Tolman, William
 Twombly, Horatio F.
 Upson, Charles H.
 Watson, Walter S.
 Wentworth, Edward E.
 Weston, Walter S.
 Whall, Harry B.
 Wheeler, William D.
 White, Horace C.
 Willard, Edward E.
 Wood, Alva S.

NAYS.

Messrs. Andrews, David B.
 Balcom, George
 Blood, Charles H.
 Bridgeo, William
 Brooks, Charles C.
 Bugbee, Nelson A.
 Burgess, Albert H.
 Carey, James F.
 Conroy, Thomas A.
 Crouch, Charles S.
 Cullinane, Richard
 Daly, William
 Davis, Daniel W.
 Davis, William R.
 Dean, Charles A.
 Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
 Dillon, Thomas J.
 Donahue, Thomas
 Donovan, Edward J.
 Donovan, Eugene E.
 Donovan, James H.
 Donovan, Michael J.
 Dooling, Thomas J.
 Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
 Dyer, George N.
 Eddy, Curtis
 Flanagan, John J.
 Gaddis, Michael E.
 Grant, Oliver S.
 Green, Thomas H.
 Harvie, Robert B.
 Howard, Robert
 Jones, Michael B.
 Kane, Daniel J.
 Kells, William, Jr.

Messrs. King, Charles F.
 Lanergan, John P.
 Leslie, George F.
 Lomasney, Martin M.
 Lombard, Edward M.
 Mahony, Frederick C.
 Mansfield, Matthew M.
 Marchesseault, Eugene D.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
 McIsaac, Daniel V.
 McLoughlin, William I.
 Mellen, James H.
 Miller, William J.
 Minihan, Cornelius
 Minton, John M.
 Montgomery, James A.
 Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
 Neal, David
 Odlin, William
 Pike, William T.
 Queeney, James H.
 Quigley, William J.
 Rounseville, Albert
 Salter, William R.
 Scates, Louis M.
 Severance, Joseph C.
 Shaw, Nathan W.
 Sparks, John T.
 Spooner, Wallace
 Sullivan, Michael J.
 Sullivan, Timothy F.
 Toland, John I.
 Toomey, John J.
 Twomey, Edmund J.
 Whelan, John B.

99 yeas ; 70 nays.

PAIR.

The following pair was announced : —

YEA.

NAY.

Mr. Henry E. Turner.

Mr. Hugh W. Bresnahan.*

* Present.

The Bill to impose a tax on legacies, successions and certain other transfers and to provide for the distribution of the proceeds of the same (House, No. 1147) was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Judd of Holyoke, it was voted that debate be closed at four o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached, and that speeches be limited to five minutes each.

Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in lines 2 and 3, the words "property real or personal," and inserting in place thereof the words "personal property," which amendment was adopted.

After debate the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Odlin of Andover, and the roll being called the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The vote was 107 yeas to 59 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles H.
Ainsworth, Wilfred
Andrews, David B.
Balcom, George
Battles, David W.
Bennett, Frank P.
Blood, Charles H.
Bresnahan, Hugh W.
Bridgeo, William
Bugbee, Nelson A.
Campbell, Andrew
Carey, James F.
Chandler, Leonard B.
Chase, Henry L.
Conroy, Thomas A.
Crouch, Charles S.
Cullinane, Richard
Daly, William

Messrs. Davis, William R.
Dean, Charles A.
Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
Dillon, Thomas J.
Donovan, Edward J.
Donovan, Eugene E.
Donovan, James H.
Donovan, Michael J.
Dooling, Thomas J.
Douglass, John J.
Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d.
Dudley, George J.
Eddy, Curtis
Farwell, Frederick W.
Feiker, William H.
Fitzgerald, William T. A.
Flanagan, John J.
Francis, Frank W.

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Messrs. Gaddis, Michael E.	Messrs. Montgomery, James A.
Gartland, John J., Jr.	Morrison, Andrew H.
Grant, Oliver S.	Morse, Merrick A.
Green, Thomas H.	Munroe, John P.
Hagberg, John G.	Neal, David
Hancock, Portus B.	Newton, H. Huestis
Harvie, Robert B.	Persons, Charles H.
Harwood, George F.	Pike, William T.
Haskins, Leander M.	Porter, Thomas F.
Hawes, Martin E.	Powers, John A.
Heath, Guilford P.	Puffer, Herbert C.
Hopewell, William	Quecney, James H.
Howard, Robert	Quigley, William J.
Howland, Willard	Ramsdell, Charles H.
Jones, Michael B.	Ray, Albert H.
Kane, Daniel J.	Reed, Silas D.
Kells, William, Jr.	Robinson, Lewis D.
Keyou, Nicholas B.	Ross, Leonard W.
King, Charles F.	Salter, William R.
King, Randolph V.	Scates, Louis M.
Lanergan, John P.	Skinner, Henry R.
Learoyd, Addison P.	Sparks, John T.
Litchfield, James A.	Spooner, Wallace
Lombard, Edward M.	Sprague, Eugene H.
Luce, Robert	Sullivan, Michael J.
Mahoney, David A.	Sullivan, Timothy F.
Mahony, Frederick C.	Toland, John I.
Mansfield, Matthew M.	Tolman, William
Marchesseault, Eugene D.	Toomey, John J.
McCarthy, Jeremiah F.	Twombly, Horatio F.
McIsaac, Daniel V.	Twomey, Edmund J.
McLoughlin, William I.	Upton, Charles H.
Mellen, James H.	Whelan, John B.
Mills, Charles P.	White, Horace C.
Minihan, Cornelius	Willard, Edward E.
Minton, John M.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Briggs, Clarence A.	Messrs. Dean, George Z.
Brooks, Charles C.	Drake, Frederic P.
Brown, Henry L.	Dyer, George N.
Burgess, Albert H.	Fisher, George E.
Carleton, George H.	Folsom, Albert T.
Cluer, Arthur H.	Foster, Frank A.
Cole, Samuel	Goulding, Albert M.
Conwell, Robert E.	Harlow, Franklin P.
Cook, Clifford A.	Hayes, William H. I.
Crosby, Aaron S.	Haywood, Charles E.
Crosby, Alfred R.	Henderson, Francis D.
Dalton, J. Frank	Hooper, Franklin K.

Messrs. Horton, Henry T.	Messrs. Schofield, William
Judd, William E.	Selfridge, George S.
Leland, Francis	Shaw, Nathan W.
Libby, John F.	Simmons, Arthur A.
Lockhart, Alexander	Skillings, William E.
Lomasney, Martin M.	Smith, Charles F. A.
Lowe, John H.	Stalker, Hugh L.
Marchant, Charles S.	Stanley, Benjamin F.
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.	Stone, Silas A.
Miller, Calvin S.	Swift, William S.
Miller, Charles H.	Tatman, Charles T.
Myers, James J.	Varney, George E.
Newton, Phinehas S.	Watson, Walter S.
Odlin, William	Wentworth, Edward E.
Parker, William C.	Weston, Walter S.
Rounseville, Albert	Williams, George F.
Sands, Edward P.	Wood, Alva S.
Saunders, Charles R.	

107 yeas; 59 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced:—

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Estes, Eugene B.	Messrs. Dean, Benjamin C.*
Keith, Charles P.	Stone, Willmore B.*
Brigham, William M.*	Johnson, Charles R.
Crosby, J. Howell*	Wells, Abelard E.
Burrington, Lester L.*	Harwood, Herbert J.
Donahue, Thomas*	Turner, Henry E.
Bullock, William J.	Howland, Charles W.*
Harvell, Elisha T.	Chapple, William D.*
Love, Joseph P.	Coolidge, Daniel S.*
Murphy, Mortimer D.A.*	Langford, John T.
Mackey, Thomas	Russell, Arthur P.*

* Present.

The Bill relative to the height of buildings (House, No. 1137) was read a second time.

Mr. Davis of Cambridge moved to amend section 1 by inserting after the word "elevators," in line 4, the word "gasholders."

Pending the amendment and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading,

On motion of Mr. Sands of Boston, at twenty-five minutes past four o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 2, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock
A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Myers of Cambridge, —

Joint committee
on the
Judiciary, —
reports.

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary be granted until Wednesday, May 3, to report upon matters referred to it previously to the second Wednesday in March.

. Sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

County of Suffolk, — assistance for clerk of Superior Court for civil business.

A Bill to provide for an additional assistant clerk of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 313) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Counties on the part of the House.

Board of Cattle Commissioners, — infectious diseases among domestic animals.

A Bill relative to infectious diseases among domestic animals and to establish a new Board of Cattle Commissioners (Senate, No. 278) (reported on bills introduced on leave, House, Nos. 120, 241 and 764, and on petitions, with accompanying bills, Senate, Nos. 146 and 147 and House, No. 658), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Labor, — eight-hour day.

The House Bill to make eight hours a day's work for city and town employees (House, No. 984) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Driscoll of Chicopee, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Committee of conference, — bicycle paths.

The House Bill to provide a penalty for trespassing upon bicycle paths (House, No. 978) came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amend-

ment, asked for a committee of conference and that Messrs. George, Kenefick and Parsons had been appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Reed of Taunton, the House insisted on its non-concurrence and concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference. Messrs. Reed of Taunton, Cluer of Lowell and Salter of Lynn were appointed the committee on the part of the House, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCarthy, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill was referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Intoxicating
Liquors, —
number of
licenses.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Stoneham for legislation to authorize said town to discontinue the use of certain land as a burial ground, to re-inter bodies of the dead and to establish a public park. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1154) was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Town of
Stoneham, —
burial ground
and public park.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) to repeal the act establishing a fire department for the town of Danvers. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill (House, No. 1153) was referred to the committee on Towns.

Town of
Danvers, —
fire department.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of Leonard W. Ross, for Knollwood Cemetery, for legislation to authorize the water commissioners of the town of Canton to supply said cemetery with water and to construct works necessary therefor. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended,

Knollwood
Cemetery, —
water from the
town of Canton.

and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1156) was referred to the committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Widow of
Franklin
A. Gowen.

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of Charles A. Dean and others for legislation to authorize the payment from the treasury of the Commonwealth of a sum of money to the widow of Franklin A. Gowen. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Fisher of Amherst, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 1155) was referred to the committee on Ways and Means, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Millbury,
Sutton and
Douglas
Railroad.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th and 9th joint rules on the petition of Thomas M. Babson and another that the time for completing the Millbury, Sutton and Douglas Railroad may be extended. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Mellen, the 12th and 9th joint rules were severally suspended, in concurrence, and the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 317) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Connecticut
River, — bridge
between North-
ampton and
Hadley.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be not suspended on the petition of the city council of the city of Northampton for legislation to provide for altering and rebuilding the highway bridge over the Connecticut River between the city of Northampton and the town of Hadley.

Employer's
liability.

By Mr. Selfridge of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 694) of John I. Toland for legislation to more fully define the employer's liability. [Messrs. Kenefick, of the Senate, and Howland of Chelsea, Johnson or Worcester, Turtle of Pittsfield, Brigham of Marlborough, Davenport of Greenfield and Feiker of Northampton, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (taken from the files of last year) relative to the service of process in the collection of taxes (Senate, No. 9) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 1152.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

Collection of taxes, — service of process.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Swift of Tisbury moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 830) of John H. Rice and others for legislation to revive the charter of the Massachusetts Maritime Canal Company and to extend the time within which said company is required to comply with certain provisions of the same. On further motion of the same gentleman, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Massachusetts Maritime Canal Company, — charter.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, the report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 589) of Charles A. Dean for legislation relative to workingmen's trains and extending the time of service thereof, was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until Friday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day.

Railroad companies, — workingmen's trains.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Making an appropriation for the consolidation and arrangement of the Public Statutes (which originated in the House) ;

Bills enacted.

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Brockton ;

Relative to the board of aldermen of the city of Boston ; and

Relative to the regulation and supervision of wires over streets and buildings in towns ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve to provide for additional copies of the annual report of the Massachusetts Highway Commission (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

Cape Cod canal,—H. W. Armstrong.

On motions of Mr. Hooper of Manchester, the report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 737) of H. W. Armstrong that he and his associates may be authorized to construct, maintain and operate a canal across Cape Cod, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

Political committees and caucuses of political parties.

On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, the Bill relative to political committees and caucuses of political parties (House, No. 690) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. The House concurred with the Senate in its amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary :

Orders of the day.

On the annual report of the Attorney-General (Pub. Doc. No. 12) ; and

On so much of the seventh annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth (Pub. Doc. No. 46) as was referred to said committee ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 102) of Richard Cullinane and Freeman O. Emerson and others for legislation to require street railway companies to enclose the platforms of their cars during certain months on the year ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendments to the House Bill relative to the duties of judges of probate and insolvency (House, No. 1020), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill to amend the employers' liability acts (House, No. 632) was rejected, as recommended by the joint

committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the sewerage works of the city of Boston (House, No. 90) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to establish the boundary line between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the State of New Hampshire (House, No. 1149) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve to provide for securing a stained-glass window for the main stair-case leading from Memorial Hall in the State House (House, No. 1111) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the appointment of a permanent court officer for the probate court of the county of Middlesex (House, No. 1019) ; and

To revise the laws relative to the distribution of the estates of deceased persons (House, No. 1082) ;

Were severally passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to military aid (House, No. 1080) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending amendments as follows : —

In section 2, striking out after the word “ ended,” in line 14, the words “ except when otherwise herein specially limited ” (previously inserted by the House) ;

In section 7, striking out after the word “ ninety-eight,” in line 11, the words “ *provided, however,* that those volunteers who, being citizens of Massachusetts, enlisted in Massachusetts regiments after the said twelfth day of August, and prior to the first day of January in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, and were honorably discharged, shall, with their dependent relatives, be entitled to receive the benefits of this act ” (previously inserted by the House), and inserting in place thereof the words “ *provided, however,* that military aid may be allowed under the limitations of this act to or for volunteers mustered

into the service of the United States in Massachusetts regiments after said twelfth day of August but prior to the first day of January in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, who shall otherwise be qualified to receive the same under the terms of this act ;" and

In section 9, inserting after the word "office," in line 7, the words "and who shall be the secretary of the board."

The amendments were adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to State aid (House, No. 1081) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment in section 2, striking out after the word "ninety-eight," in line 34, the words "*provided, however,* that those volunteers who, being citizens of Massachusetts, enlisted in Massachusetts regiments after the said twelfth day of August, and prior to the first day of January in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, and were honorably discharged, shall, with their dependent relatives, be entitled to receive the benefits of this act" (previously inserted by the House), and inserting in place thereof the words "*provided, however,* that state aid may be allowed under the limitations of this act to or for volunteers mustered into the service of the United States in Massachusetts regiments after said twelfth day of August but prior to the first day of January in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, who shall otherwise be qualified to receive the same under the terms of this act, and to or for their dependent relatives."

The amendment was adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to revise the charter of the city of Fall River (House, No. 1138) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment in section 14, striking out lines 20 to 46, inclusive, and inserting in place thereof the following: "Fourth. The exclusive power to lay out, locate anew, alter, widen and discontinue town ways, streets and highways, and to order specific repairs, or a change of grade thereon, with no appeal from the exercise of this power. But when the board decides that public necessity or convenience requires any such laying out, lo-

cating anew, alteration, widening, discontinuance, repair, or change of grade, they shall give a public hearing thereon, notice of which, and of their intention in the matter, shall be given in the same manner as if it were a notice required by law in respect to town ways; and their final decision shall not be made until after the said hearing. The hearing may be adjourned from time to time. Damages sustained by reason of the exercise of the power conferred by this clause shall be assessed and awarded by the board; and any person aggrieved by the assessment of his damages may have the remedies provided by law in respect to the laying out of town ways."

The amendment was adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize trust companies to act as executors and in other fiduciary capacities (Senate, No. 258) ;

Relative to clerical assistance for clerks of courts (Senate, No. 271) ;

Relative to supplying certain cities and towns with water from the metropolitan water system (Senate, No. 309) ; and

To extend the time within which petitions may be filed for damages sustained by the taking of real estate for the metropolitan water works (Senate, No. 310) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the protection of historical monuments (Senate, No. 312) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment in line 1, striking out the word "moves," and inserting in place thereof the word "removes."

The amendment was adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and was sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill relative to the registration and protection of labels, trademarks, stamps and forms of advertisements (Senate, No. 298) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment in section 1, striking out, in line 61, the word "would," and inserting in place thereof the word "could."

The amendment was adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and was sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill relative to the height of buildings (House, No. 1137), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

After debate the pending amendment, moved by Mr. Davis of Cambridge, was adopted and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 42 to 29.

The Bill relative to the sewerage works of the city of Boston (House, No. 1129) was read a third time.

Mr. Wood of Woburn moved to amend section 3 by inserting after the word "commissioners," in line 36, the words "and such assessment and revised and corrected assessments shall be;" and by adding at the end of the section the words "and shall be unaffected by the provisions of the statute requiring the filing of a list of estates liable to taxation as a prerequisite to such appeal."

The amendments were adopted and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to permit boating and fishing on the ponds and reservoirs of the metropolitan water system (House, No. 137) was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, pending the question on its reference to the next General Court, as recommended by the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly.

The Bill to require railroad companies to equip their cars with platform gates (House, No. 649) was considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Judd of Holyoke, the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Railroads, was negatived, by a vote of 52 to 64, and it was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill relative to the assumption of risks of danger by employees (House, No. 539) was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Davenport of Greenfield, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill to amend an act relative to employers' liability (House, No. 631) was laid on the table, on motion of

Mr. McLoughlin of Worcester, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill relative to injuries upon or about railroads and railways (House, No. 544) was considered, and after debate the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, was negatived, by a vote of 40 to 60, and it was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to incorporate the Marine Park Tower Company (House, No. 1071) was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Judd of Holyoke, the bill (House, No. 1135) previously moved as a substitute by Mr. Miller of Boston was rejected, by a vote of 48 to 54, and the House refused to order the bill to a third reading.

The petition of William J. Bullock for legislation to grant further powers to city and town officers relative to licensing and regulating peddlers was referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House refusing to suspend said rule.

The Bill (introduced on leave) to provide for the retirement of judges of probate (Senate, No. 297) was considered, and after debate was referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House refusing to concur with the Senate in the suspension of said rule, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game (House, No. 1141) was read a second time, and after debate the House refused to order it to a third reading, by a vote of 39 to 53.

The Bill relative to the Boston Transit Commission (House, No. 1136) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Smith of Waltham moved to amend as follows:—

By inserting before section 1, as printed, the following new section: "*Section 1.* The Boston Transit Commission shall hereafter be composed of three persons, to be appointed by the Governor, who shall have all the powers and duties and be subject to all liabilities and restrictions now imposed by law upon said commission;" and

By inserting after section 2, as printed, the following new section: "*Section 4.* All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed."

Mr. Porter of Lynn moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with the same title.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, the amendments moved by Mr. Smith were rejected, by a vote of 32 to 75.

The House refused to substitute the bill moved by Mr. Porter, and the bill was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 80 to 28.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 279) of Charles F. Kittredge and others for legislation to provide for local option by districts in the city of Boston, was considered.

Mr. Estes of Brockton moved that the report be postponed for consideration until to-morrow, which motion was lost, by a vote of 21 to 41.

Mr. Root of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relative to granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the city of Boston" (House, No. 279).

After debate the House refused to substitute the bill, and the report was accepted, by a vote of 74 to 14.

Mr. Newton of Everett raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 111 members were present.

Mr. Donahue of Fall River moved that the House adjourn, which motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

On the appearance of a quorum the question was again put, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 521) of H. Huestis Newton for legislation relative to new trials in civil causes, was considered, and after debate, pending the question on the acceptance of the report,

At half-past four o'clock, under the standing order, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 3, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock
A.M.

Prayer was offered by Reverend George E. Fisher of
Amherst, a member of the House.

Report.

Part I. of the forty-fourth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner (Pub. Doc. No. 9) relative to fire and marine insurance was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and was referred to the committee on Insurance and sent up for concurrence.

Insurance Commissioner, —
report on fire and marine insurance.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary be granted until Friday, May 5, to report upon matters referred to it previously to the second Wednesday in March.

Joint committee on the Judiciary, —
reports.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition Presented.

By Mr. Pike of Groveland, petition of the selectmen of the town of Groveland for legislation to authorize said town to levy an annual tax upon all street railway cars that enter, pass through or depart from its limits. Mr. Carey of Haverhill moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Town of Groveland, — tax on street railway cars.

Papers from the Senate.

The following orders were severally adopted, in concurrence : —

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Federal Relations shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, May 10.

Committee on Federal Relations, — reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Harbors and Public Lands shall make final report on mat-

Committee on Harbors and Public Lands, — reports.

ters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Friday, May 5.

Committees on
Metropolitan
Affairs and
Water Supply,
— reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly, shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, May 10.

County of
Worcester, —
county tax.

A Resolve (introduced on leave) to amend a resolve of the current year granting a county tax for the county of Worcester (Senate, No. 325), referred by the Senate, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Counties; and

City of
Worcester, —
water loan.

A petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 326) of the mayor of the city of Worcester that said city may be authorized to make an additional water loan, referred by the Senate, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Water Supply;

Were severally referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Reports of Committees.

Fitchburg and
Suburban
Street Railway
Company.

By Mr. David A. Mahoney of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (recommitted, with accompanying bill, House, No. 819) of the Fitchburg and Suburban Street Railway Company for authority to extend its tracks and to operate freight cars and to act as a common carrier. [Mr. Wallace of Clinton, of the House, dissenting.] Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the employment of prisoners in making goods for the use of public institutions. (House, No. 1157.)

Id.

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for expenses in connection with the industries at the State Farm. (House, No. 1158.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Metropolitan
Park Commission.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill relative to the Metropolitan Park Commission ought to pass. (House, No. 1161.)

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the same committee, that the Bill making appropriations for the Massachusetts Highway Commission (Senate, No. 308) ought to pass. [Mr. Paton of Leominster dissenting.] Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, from the same committee, that the Bill relative to the annual expenditures of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (Senate, No. 295) ought to pass. Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, — expenditures.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Dumond of Boston, from the committee on the Liquor Law, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors ought to pass. (House, No. 1159.) Intoxicating liquors, — number of places licensed.

The same gentleman moved a suspension of the rule requiring the bill to be placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading, which motion, after debate, was adopted, by a vote of 82 to 14, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game (House, No. 1141), which motion, after debate, was adopted. Board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game.

On the recurring question the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, the Bill to simplify the transfer of title to property (Senate, No. 265) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading. Property, — transfer of title.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders of the Day.

Mr. Dalton of Salem moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill providing for the abolition of the death penalty (House, No. 136), which motion, after debate, was lost, by a vote of 40 to 47. Death penalty, — abolition.

*Bills Enacted.**Bills enacted.*

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the house of correction in Suffolk County ;
To confirm the proceedings of the annual town meeting
of the town of Lakeville ;

Relative to political committees and caucuses of political
parties ;

To make eight hours a day's work for city and town
employees ;

Relative to the duties of judges of probate and in-
solvency ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To extend the time within which petitions may be filed
for damages sustained by the taking of real estate for
the metropolitan water works (which originated in the
Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to
the Senate.

*Orders of the Day.**Orders of the
day.*

The report of the committee on Libraries and the joint
committee on the Judiciary, sitting jointly, reference to
the next General Court, on the petition (with accompa-
nying bill, Senate, No. 49) of the trustees of the public
library of the city of Boston for authority to transfer the
Harris collection of books from the Charlestown Public
Library to the central library building, was accepted, in
concurrence.

Bills :

To require railroad companies to equip their cars with
platform gates (House, No. 649) ;

To authorize the Worcester and Clinton Street Railway
Company to act as a common carrier of merchandise, bag-
gage and the United States mail (House, No. 1151) ; and

Relative to additions, alterations and repairs on school
buildings in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 151) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a
third reading.

The Bill to establish the boundary line between the
Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the State of New
Hampshire (House, No. 1149) was read a third time,
passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize additional clerical assistance for the clerk of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business (Senate, No. 300) ; and

Relative to inks for public records and to making such records by means of typewriting machines (Senate, No. 311) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (taken from the files of last year, with accompanying bill, House, No. 521) of H. Huestis Newton for legislation relative to new trials in civil causes, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered.

Mr. Smith of Waltham moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill relative to new trials in civil causes " (House, No. 521).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Judd of Holyoke, by a vote of 42 to 41, the House refused to substitute the bill, by a vote of 44 to 65, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 592) of Lafayette G. Blair for legislation relative to the transportation of bicycles as baggage, was considered.

Mr. Reed of Taunton moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to provide for the transportation of the bicycles of passengers as baggage " (House, No. 592).

After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Hawes of Weymouth.

On the question on the substitution of the bill, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, and the roll being called the bill was substituted, and having been read was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The vote was 76 yeas to 75 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs.Balcom, George
Battles, David W.
Brigham, William M.

Messrs.Brooks, Charles C.
Brown, Willard M.
Bugbee, Nelson A.

Messrs. Bullock, William J.
 Bushnell, S. Hopkins
 Carey, James F.
 Clarke, Charles S.
 Crosby, J. Howell
 Cullinane, Richard
 Currier, Guy W.
 Daly, William
 Davenport, William A.
 Davis, William R.
 Dean, Charles A.
 Dillon, Thomas J.
 Donahue, Thomas
 Donovan, Eugene E.
 Dooling, Thomas J.
 Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
 Dumond, John B.
 Dyer, George N.
 Estes, Eugene B.
 Feiker, William H.
 Francis, Frank W.
 Hagberg, John G.
 Hancock, Portus B.
 Harlow, Franklin P.
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Harvell, Elisha T.
 Harvie, Robert B.
 Harwood, Herbert J.
 Hopewell, William
 Howard, Robert
 Howland, Charles W.
 Howland, Willard
 Huntress, Franklin E.
 Johnson, Charles R.
 Jones, Michael B.

Messrs. Kavanaugh, John E.
 King, Charles F.
 King, Randolph V.
 Kyle, William S.
 Lanergan, John P.
 Leslie, George F.
 Litchfield, William C.
 Lockhart, Alexander
 Luce, Robert
 Mansfield, Matthew M.
 Marchesseault, Eugene D.
 Miller, Charles H.
 Mills, Charles P.
 Montgomery, James A.
 Morrison, Andrew H.
 Morse, Merrick A.
 Newton, H. Huestis
 Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.
 Pike, William T.
 Porter, Thomas F.
 Prindle, John F.
 Puffer, Herbert C.
 Quigley, William J.
 Reed, Silas D.
 Salter, William R.
 Scates, Louis M.
 Severance, Joseph C.
 Smith, Charles F. A.
 Sparks, John T.
 Sullivan, Timothy F.
 Swift, William S.
 Turtle, William
 Wells, Abelard E.
 Whelan, John B.
 Whipple, John J.

NATS.

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.
 Ames, Butler
 Andrews, David B.
 Bartlett, Edwin
 Bresnahan, Hugh W.
 Brown, Henry L.
 Burrington, Lester L.
 Campbell, Andrew
 Chandler, Leonard B.
 Chase, Henry L.
 Cluer, Arthur H.
 Conroy, Thomas A.

Messrs. Conwell, Robert E.
 Corey, Charles V.
 Crosby, Aaron S.
 Crosby, Alfred R.
 Dalton, J. Frank
 Dean, George Z.
 Donovan, Edward J.
 Donovan, James H.
 Donovan, Michael J.
 Drake, Frederic P.
 Dudley, George J.
 Eddy, Curtis

Messrs. Ellsworth, J. Lewis	Messrs. Mead, Edward C.
Farwell, Frederick W.	Miller, Calvin S.
Favor, John	Minihan, Cornelius
Fisher, George E.	Myers, James J.
Green, Thomas H.	Parker, William C.
Harwood, George F.	Robinson, Lewis D.
Haskins, Leander M.	Ross, Leonard W.
Hawes, Martin E.	Rounseville, Albert
Heath, Guilford P.	Saunders, Charles R.
Henderson, Francis D.	Selfridge, George S.
Hooper, Franklin K.	Shaw, Nathan W.
Horton, Henry T.	Sheppard, Eben W.
Hunt, James	Sisson, Robert S.
Judd, William E.	Smith, Allen F.
Kane, Daniel J.	Smith, Charles G.
Learoyd, Addison P.	Sprague, Eugene H.
Leland, Francis	Stalker, Hugh L.
Litchfield, James A.	Stanley, Benjamin F.
Lomasney, Martin M.	Stone, Silas A.
Lombard, Edward M.	Stone, Willmore B.
Mahoney, David A.	Toland, John I.
Mahony, Frederick C.	Tolman, William
Marchant, Charles S.	Toomey, John J.
McCarthy, Jeremiah F.	Trow, Charles E.
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.	Wentworth, Edward E.
McLoughlin, William I.	

76 yeas ; 75 nays.

PAIR.

The following pair was announced :—

YEA.	NAY.
Mr. George E. Varney.	Mr. John J. Douglass.*

* Present.

The Bill requiring railroad companies to transport bicycles as baggage (House, No. 292) was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Railroads, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the assumption of risks of danger by employees (House, No. 539) was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed last in the orders of the day, on motion of Mr. Davenport of Greenfield, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill providing for the abolition of the death penalty (House, No. 136) was taken up.

Pending the question on its reference to the next General Court, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, Mr. Dalton of Salem moved that it be postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to immediately precede the last matter in the orders of the day.

Mr. Saunders of Boston moved to amend the motion of Mr. Dalton by striking out the words "immediately precede the last matter," and inserting in place thereof the words "be placed third."

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved that it be postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

After debate the motion of Mr. Mellen was adopted, and the bill was postponed accordingly.

The Bill relative to the punishment for murder (House, No. 380) was postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day, on motion of Mr. Dalton of Salem, pending the question on its reference to the next General Court, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill to define the power of courts and magistrates to punish for contempt (House, No. 540) was read a second time, and after debate the House refused to order it to a third reading and notice of its rejection was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the rights of owners of real estate in the matter of granting liquor licenses (House, No. 1150) was read a second time.

Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Estes of Brockton moved that it be postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, which motion was lost, by a vote of 28 to 31.

The same gentleman moved that the bill be postponed for consideration until to-morrow, which motion was lost.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the authority of foreign surety companies to become surety on bonds to the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 207) was read a second time.

Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in line 49, the word "one-tenth," and inserting in place thereof the word "one-half."

Pending the amendment and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed third in the orders of the day, on further motion of the same gentleman.

The Bill relative to the watering of streets in the city of Boston (House, No. 1132) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment in section 1, striking out, in line 11, the word "or," and inserting in place thereof the word "and."

The amendment was adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 694) of John I. Toland for legislation to more fully define the employer's liability, was considered.

Mr. Brigham of Marlborough moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relative to the assumption of risks by employees" (House, No. 1160), which was read.

Pending the amendment and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, it was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Turtle of Pittsfield.

The petition of the city council of the city of Northampton for legislation to provide for altering and rebuilding the highway bridge over the Connecticut River between the city of Northampton and the town of Hadley was referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House refusing to suspend said rule.

The Bill relative to the service of process in the collection of taxes (House, No. 1152) was read a second time.

Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Newton of Everett moved that it be postponed for consideration until to-morrow, which motion, after debate, was lost.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 59 to 18.

The Bill relative to the height of buildings (House, No. 1137) was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Sands of Boston moved that it be laid on

the table, which motion, after debate, was lost, by a vote of 49 to 74.

Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield moved to amend by inserting after section 1 the following new section: "*Section 2.* The county of Berkshire shall be exempt from the provisions of this act," which amendment was rejected.

Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston moved to amend by inserting after section 1 the following new section: "*Section 2.* The provisions of the foregoing section shall not apply to any building in the course of erection prior to the passage of this act," which amendment was adopted.

Mr. Sands moved to amend section 2, as printed, by striking out the words "upon its passage," and inserting in place thereof the words "on the first day of January in the year nineteen hundred."

Mr. Apsey of Cambridge moved to reconsider the vote whereby the amendment moved by Mr. Donovan was adopted, which motion, after debate, was lost.

After further debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, the amendment moved by Mr. Sands was adopted, by a vote of 60 to 17, and the House refused to pass the bill, as amended, to be engrossed.

The Bill relative to the Boston Transit Commission (House, No. 1136) was read a third time.

Mr. Clerke of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 1162), pending which, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on further motion of the same gentleman.

The Bill relative to injuries upon or about railroads and railways (House, No. 544) was read a second time.

Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Blood of Fitchburg moved that it be postponed for consideration until to-morrow, which motion, after debate, was lost.

After further debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Smith of Dover, the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Bill Considered under Suspension of Rule.

The orders of the day having been disposed of, Mr. Hayes of Lowell moved a suspension of House Rule 58 that the Bill relative to the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors (House, No. 1159) might take its third reading, which motion was adopted. The bill was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 63 to 7.

Mr. Reed of Taunton moved that Rule 15 be suspended.

Mr. Donovan of Taunton raised the point of order that a quorum was not present as shown by the last vote. A count of the House showed that 99 members were present.

At half-past four o'clock, under the standing order, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 4, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock A.M.

The Clerk announced the temporary absence of the Speaker, and stated that Mr. Willard of Chelsea had been appointed to preside. Mr. Willard accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

The consideration of the following order, offered by Mr. Judd of Holyoke, was postponed until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Smith of Waltham:—

Ten-minute
speeches.

Ordered, That on and after Monday, May 8, in debate on all matters coming before the House, speeches shall be limited to ten minutes each. This rule shall not be suspended except by a two-thirds vote of the members present. If the rule is suspended, it shall entitle the member speaking to ten minutes further time.

Petitions Presented.

Swan Dale
Cemetery
Association.

By Mr. Cook of Milford, petition of Marcus M. Aldrich and others for an act of incorporation as the Swan Dale Cemetery Association. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Town of Lex-
ington,—sewer-
age system.

By Mr. Crosby of Arlington, petition of the sewer commissioners of the town of Lexington for legislation relative to the sewerage system of said town. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on
Military
Affairs,—
reports.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence:—

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Military Affairs shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, May 10.

A report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary, on the eleventh report on the custody and condition of the public records of parishes, towns and counties (Pub. Doc. No. 52), accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Public records,
— custody and
condition.

Bills :

To extend civil service exemption to veterans of the war with Spain (Senate, No. 316) (reported on a bill, House, No. 373, introduced on leave, and on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 65) ; and

Soldiers and
sailors, — civil
service
exemption.

Relative to the seal and coat of arms of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 319) (reported on so much of the annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, Pub. Doc. No. 46, as was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, in part) ;

Seal and coat
of arms of
the Common-
wealth.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill relative to Stony Brook in the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 637) (introduced on leave in the House) [Messrs. Fitzgerald of Boston, Russell of Boston and Lomasney of Boston, of the House, dissenting], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

City of Boston,
— Stony Brook.

A Resolve relative to the Pan-American Exposition (Senate, No. 323) (new draft of a resolve reported on a message from the Governor), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Pan-American
Exposition.

The House Bill to prevent coercion of employees (House, No. 565) came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendment.

Labor, —
coercion of
employees.

Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence moved that the House insist on its non-concurrence and ask for a committee of conference.

Mr. Odlin of Andover moved that the House recede from its non-concurrence and concur with the Senate in its amendment.

After debate the motion of Mr. Odlin was lost, by a vote of 56 to 61.

The motion of Mr. Cullinane was adopted, Messrs. Cullinane of Lawrence, Mills of Newburyport and Scates of Haverhill were appointed the committee on the part of

the House, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

City of Boston,
— assessors.

The House Bill relative to the duties of assessors in the city of Boston (House, No. 1091) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

Certain towns,
— annual meet-
ings.

The House Bill to confirm the acts of certain towns at their annual meetings in the year 1899 (House, No. 1123) came down recommitted to the committee on Probate and Insolvency, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, with instructions to report separate bills with reference to each of the towns concerned. The House concurred in the suspension of the rule and in the instructions, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

County of
Hampden, —
county tax.

A Resolve (introduced on leave) to amend a resolve of the current year granting a county tax for the county of Hampden (Senate, No. 329), referred by the Senate, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Counties, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Reports of Committees.

County of
Worcester, —
county tax.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the Resolve (introduced on leave) to amend a resolve of the current year granting a county tax for the county of Worcester. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the resolve (Senate, No. 325) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Counties.

City of
Worcester, —
water loan.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the petition of the mayor of the city of Worcester that said city may be authorized to make an additional water loan. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Fisher of Amherst, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 326) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Water Supply.

By Mr. Battles of Brockton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, no legislation necessary, on the abstract of the certificates of corporations organized under the general laws of Massachusetts, together with the annual returns required by chapter 106 of the Public Statutes, during the year 1898 (Pub. Doc. No. 10). Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Corporations,—
certificates and
returns.

By Mr. McIsaac of Boston, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to provide for the appointment of a committee to regulate and equalize the salaries of state and county officials ought not to pass. (House, No. 1164.) Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

State and
county officials,
— salaries.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to construct a boulevard between the town of Dedham and the Stony Brook Reservation (House, No. 486) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Bill relative to the construction of a boulevard from the town of Dedham to the Stony Brook Reservation in the town of Hyde Park." (House, No. 1163.)

Town of
Dedham,—
boulevard to
the Stony Brook
Reservation in
Hyde Park.

By Mr. Learoyd of Danvers, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1120), a Bill to incorporate the West Sutton Cemetery Association. (House, No. 1165.)

West Sutton
Cemetery
Association.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Boston, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on April 13, referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the Resolve to provide for a new hospital, laundry and bath house building at the Massachusetts Reformatory (House, No. 1078) was taken from the table, and after debate was lost, by a vote of 45 to 53.

Massachusetts
Reformatory,—
hospital,
laundry and
bath house.

On motions of Mr. Turner of Malden, the Bill relative to the purchase of gas and electric plants by cities and towns (House, No. 339) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until Monday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading.

Municipal gas
and electric
plants.

Taxation, —
foreign corpo-
rations.

On motions of Mr. Luce of Somerville, the report of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 499) of Robert Luce for legislation relative to the taxation of foreign corporations having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth, was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day.

Personal prop-
erty, — assess-
ment and taxa-
tion; property
held by foreign
trustees, —
taxation.

On motions of Mr. Sullivan of Natick, the report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 597) of William R. Sessions and another for legislation to provide for the State assessment of personal property and the more complete taxation thereof, and on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 594) of William R. Sessions and another for legislation to tax the property of citizens of the Commonwealth held by foreign trustees, was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Constitutional
amendment, —
verdicts of
juries in civil
causes.

On motions of Mr. Johnson of Worcester, the Resolve to provide for an amendment to the Constitution authorizing verdicts in trials by jury in civil causes upon the agreement of a less number than the whole number of the jurors (House, No. 769) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading.

Foreign corpo-
rations, —
complete
returns.

On motions of Mr. Newton of Everett, the Bill to require complete returns from foreign companies doing business in this Commonwealth (House, No. 293) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed in the orders of the day, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Taxation.

Taxation, —
personal
property and
shares of certain
corporations.

On motion of Mr. Luce of Somerville, the report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 18) of the Massachusetts Anti-Double Taxation League and others for legislation to exempt from taxation in the Commonwealth personal property situated and taxed without the Commonwealth and shares of certain corporations organized under the laws of other states, was taken from the table.

Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, the same gentleman moved that it be postponed for consideration until Tuesday, May 16, to be placed in the orders of the day, which motion was lost.

Mr. Sullivan of Natick moved that it be postponed for consideration until Monday next.

Mr. Newton of Everett moved that it be postponed for consideration until Wednesday next.

After debate the motion of Mr. Newton was adopted, and the bill was postponed accordingly.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Johnson of Worcester moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to define the power of courts and magistrates to punish for contempt (House, No. 540). Contempt of court.

The same gentleman moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table, which motion, after debate, was lost, by a vote of 40 to 59.

After further debate the House refused to reconsider.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To incorporate the Waltham, Ayer and Pepperell Street Bills enacted.
Railway Company ;

Relative to public warehousemen and other depositaries ;

Relative to the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relative to inks for public records and to making such records by means of typewriting machines ;

To authorize trust companies to act as executors and in other fiduciary capacities ;

Relative to clerical assistance for clerks of courts ;

Relative to supplying certain cities and towns with water from the metropolitan water system ; and

To authorize additional clerical assistance for the clerk of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

*Discharged from the Orders of the Day.***Employer's
liability.**

On motions of Mr. Turtle of Pittsfield, the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 694) of John I. Toland for legislation to more fully define the employer's liability, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and laid on the table.

**Intoxicating
liquors, —
rights of owners
of real estate.**

On motion of Mr. Odlin of Andover, the Bill relative to the rights of owners of real estate in the matter of granting liquor licenses (House, No. 1150) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the same gentleman moved that it be postponed for consideration until Thursday next.

Mr. Swift of Tisbury moved that it be postponed for consideration until Monday next.

After debate the motion of Mr. Odlin was lost.

The motion of Mr. Swift was adopted, and the bill was postponed accordingly.

*Orders of the Day.***Bills :****Orders of the
day.**

Making an appropriation for the employment of prisoners in making goods for the use of public institutions (House, No. 1157) ;

Making an appropriation for expenses in connection with the industries at the State Farm (House, No. 1158) ;

Making appropriations for the Massachusetts Highway Commission (Senate, No. 308) ; and

Relative to the annual expenditures of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (Senate, No. 295) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to simplify the transfer of title to property (Senate, No. 265) was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the Worcester and Clinton Street Railway Company to act as a common carrier of merchandise, baggage and the United States mail (House, No. 1151) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors (House, No. 1159), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Root of Boston moved that it be referred to the next General Court.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Newton of Everett, the bill was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 112 to 7, and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Hayes of Lowell.

The Bill to incorporate the Street Railway Mutual Insurance Company (House, No. 1117) was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield moved to amend as follows : —

In section 1, by striking out, in lines 11, 12 and 13, the words “ or on account of the injury by accident to vehicles or other personal property of any person, firm or corporation, other than said railway corporations ; ” and

By inserting after section 4 the following new section :
“ *Section 5.* The said corporation shall not be authorized to engage in business under this act until it has deposited with the State treasurer, or with some institution designated by him, two hundred thousand dollars in money, or securities satisfactory to the said treasurer, for the same amount, as a guaranty fund against the liabilities of the said corporation.”

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Parker of Boston, the amendment to section 1 was adopted, by a vote of 60 to 25.

The remaining amendment was also adopted, and the House refused to order the bill, as amended, to a third reading.

The Bill to abolish the contract system on public works (House, No. 337) was considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Stanley of Newburyport, the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Labor, was negatived, by a vote of 56 to 62, and it was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill relative to the authority of foreign surety companies to become surety on bonds to the Commonwealth

(Senate, No. 207) was considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield asked unanimous consent to withdraw the amendment previously moved by him. Objection was made.

Point of order.

Mr. Myers of Cambridge raised the point of order that the amendment was broader in its scope than the subject-matter considered by the committee.

The Chair (Mr. Stone of Springfield) declared the point of order well taken, and the amendment was ruled out.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the Boston Transit Commission (House, No. 1136) was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Clerke of Boston, pending the amendment previously moved by that gentleman and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (recommitted, with accompanying bill, House, No. 819) of the Fitchburg and Suburban Street Railway Company for authority to extend its tracks and to operate freight cars and to act as a common carrier, was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Blood of Fitchburg.

The Bill relative to the Metropolitan Park Commission (House, No. 1161) was read a second time, and after debate, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Saunders of Boston.

The Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game (House, No. 1141) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Mills of Newburyport moved to amend section 3 by striking out, in line 2, the words "in each year;" by striking out, in line 3, the words "and he," and inserting in place thereof the words "who shall serve during the term for which he was appointed to the board. Any vacancy in the office of chairman shall be filled by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council. The chairman;" and by striking out, in line 5, the word "necessary."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Keyou of Medford, the amendments were rejected and the bill was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 68 to 22, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to additions, alterations and repairs on school buildings in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 151) was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston moved that it be postponed for consideration until to-morrow, which motion, after debate, was lost.

Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston moved a suspension of the order requiring the Speaker to declare an adjournment at half-past four o'clock, which motion, after debate, was lost.

At half-past four o'clock, under the standing order, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 5, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

Ten-minute
speeches.

The order relative to limiting speeches to ten minutes each in debate on all matters coming before the House on and after Monday, May 8, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, was referred to the committee on Rules, on motion of Mr. Adams of Melrose.

Petition Presented.

Towns of
Royalston and
Phillipston, —
telephone line.

By Mr. Newton of Royalston, petition of E. B. Hanson and others for legislation to authorize the construction of a telephone line between the towns of Royalston and Phillipston. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

Criminal
pleadings, —
simplification.

To provide for the simplification of criminal pleadings (Senate, No. 314) (reported on a message from the Governor transmitting a report relative to the subject, Senate, No. 234) ; and

Criminal cases,
—service of
warrants.

Relative to delaying service of warrants in criminal cases (Senate, No. 321) (reported on the annual report of the Attorney-General, Pub. Doc. No. 12, in part) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

City of
Worcester, —
assessments
upon land of
the Common-
wealth.

A Bill relative to sewer and other assessments upon land of the Commonwealth in Worcester (Senate, No. 253) (reported on a petition, with accompanying resolve, House, No. 412), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of officers of the Salem Seaman's Orphan and Children's Friend Society for legislation to authorize said society to become the guardian of minors. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Lombard of Springfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1170) was referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency and sent up for concurrence.

Salem Seaman's
Orphan and
Children's
Friend Society.

By Mr. Nickerson of Harwich, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 11).

Board of
Harbor and
Land Commis-
sioners, —
annual report.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 579) of William A. Munroe for further legislation relative to suits to quiet the title of real estate.

Real estate, —
quieting of
titles.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 801) of George Holden Tinkham for legislation relative to the expenditure of money by city officials.

Cities, — ex-
penditures by
officials.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1032) of Richard W. Shea for legislation to regulate procedure in taxation of costs in cases and expenses appealed from probate courts to the Supreme Judicial Court.

Supreme
Judicial Court,
— appeals from
probate courts.

By Mr. Minton of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 322) of Martin M. Lomasney for legislation to authorize the city council of the city of Boston to examine witnesses in certain cases and obtain information from heads of departments in said city. [Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, of the House, dissenting.]

City of Boston,
— authority of
the city council.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 323) of the president of the common council of the city of Boston for legislation to authorize said council to compel the attendance of certain witnesses and

City of Boston,
— authority of
the common
council.

obtain information from heads of departments in said city.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

City of Boston,
— care of
neglected
children;
county of
Suffolk, —
house of
reformation.

By Mr. Feiker of Northampton, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill relative to the care of neglected children in the custody of the trustees for children in the city of Boston and children in the house of reformation for the county of Suffolk (House, No. 852) ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Equitable
process after
judgment.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on a bill introduced on leave (House, No. 165) and on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 316), a Bill relative to equitable process after judgment in certain cases. (House, No. 1172.)

Sheriffs and
constables, —
storage of
property.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize sheriffs and constables to store property removed by them from premises in the service of executions. (House, No. 697.)

Simmons Fe-
male College.

By Mr. Selfridge of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 932), a Bill to incorporate Simmons Female College. (House, No. 1171.)

Massachusetts
Hospital for
Dipsomaniacs
and Inebriates,
— new build-
ing.

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Resolve to provide for the erection of a new building at the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates." (House, No. 1173.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Domestic
animals, — in-
fectious
diseases; cattle
commissioners,
— new board.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill relative to infectious diseases among domestic animals and to establish a new board of cattle commissioners (Senate, No. 278) ought to pass with an amendment in section 17, inserting after the word "cities," in line 1, the words "except as provided in chapter two hundred and fifty of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-six." Placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Medfield Insane
Asylum, —
water supply.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) rela-

tive to an additional water supply for the Medfield Insane Asylum (House, No. 257) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Parker of Boston, the report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 129) of William C. Parker and another for legislation to establish two polling places for caucuses in ward ten in the city of Boston, was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until Monday, to be placed in the orders of the day.

City of Boston,
— two polling
places for
caucuses in
ward ten.

On motion of Mr. Odlin of Andover, the Bill relative to the building laws of the city of Boston (House, No. 1092) was taken from the table.

City of Boston,
— building
laws.

Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the same gentleman raised the point of order that it was beyond the scope of the subject-matter considered by the committee.

Point of order.

The Speaker declared the point of order well taken and the bill was laid aside.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the city of Brockton to take an additional water supply ;

Bills enacted.

Relative to appeals in actions at law upon demurrers and agreed facts ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To provide for the protection of historical monuments (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, no legislation necessary, on the abstract of the certificates of corporations organized under the general laws of Massachusetts, together with the annual returns required by chapter 106 of the Public Statutes, during the year 1898 (Pub. Doc. No. 10) ; and

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 589) of Charles A. Dean for legislation relative to workingmen's trains and extending the time of service thereof;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary, on the eleventh report on the custody and condition of the public records of parishes, towns and counties (Pub. Doc. No. 52) was accepted, in concurrence.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendment to the House Bill relative to the duties of assessors in the city of Boston (House, No. 1091), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Bills:

Relative to the construction of a boulevard from the town of Dedham to the Stony Brook Reservation in the town of Hyde Park (House, No. 1163);

To incorporate the West Sutton Cemetery Association (House, No. 1165); and

Relative to the seal and coat of arms of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 319);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the Metropolitan Park Commission (House, No. 1161) was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the service of process in the collection of taxes (House, No. 1152) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to additions, alterations and repairs on school buildings in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 151), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read "Bill relative to additions to, and alterations and repairs of, school buildings in the city of Boston."

The Bill to promote temperance among minors and females (printed as Senate, No. 117) was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Blood of Fitchburg moved to amend section 1 by

striking out, in line 1, the word "child," and inserting in place thereof the word "minor;" and by striking out, in line 2, the words "and no female."

Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence moved to amend section 1 by inserting after the word "any," in line 4, the words "brewery or bottling."

Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in lines 4, 5 and 6, the words "establishment where such intoxicating liquors are prepared for sale or offered for sale," and inserting in place thereof the words "place licensed to bottle malt or spirituous liquors."

Mr. Bullock of New Bedford moved to amend by inserting after section 2 the following new section: "*Section 3.* Nothing in this act shall prohibit the employment of minors or females in drug stores."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Hawes of Weymouth, the amendments moved by Messrs. Blood and Cullinane were severally adopted.

Mr. Blood raised the point of order that the amendment moved by Mr. Donovan was not in order for the reason that if adopted it would strike out words which had just been inserted by amendment. Point of order.

The Speaker stated that the point of order was not well taken, as the pending amendment by including other words constituted a different proposition from that already voted on, and was in order under the usual practice of the House.

The amendment moved by Mr. Donovan was rejected. The amendment moved by Mr. Bullock was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 77 to 38.

The report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 76) of John Bordman, Jr., for legislation abolishing the board of apportionment of the city of Boston, was considered.

Mr. Russell of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relative to the finances of the city of Boston" (House, No. 1169).

Mr. Hawes of Weymouth moved that debate be closed at half-past twelve o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached, and that speeches be limited to ten minutes each,

which motion, after debate, was adopted, by a vote of 48 to 37.

After debate the bill was substituted, by a vote of 79 to 28, and having been read was placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

The Bill relative to the sewerage works of the city of Boston (House, No. 1129) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 1168).

Pending the amendment and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Stewart of Boston moved that it be recommitted to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, which motion, after debate, was lost.

Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston moved to amend section 4 of the bill recommended as a substitute by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading by striking out, in lines 2 and 3, the words "use the proceeds of the bonds issued as hereinbefore provided," and inserting in place thereof the words "from time to time issue bonds of said city outside of its debt limit and use the proceeds thereof."

Mr. Lomasney of Boston moved to amend section 1 of the bill recommended as a substitute by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading by striking out, in lines 10 to 13, inclusive, and in lines 22 to 25, inclusive, the words "acting in accordance with the provisions of chapter four hundred and thirty-four of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight," and inserting in place thereof, in each case, the words "by a majority vote of its members approved by the city council of said city by a two-thirds yea and nay vote of all the members of each branch thereof;" and by inserting after the word "board," in lines 19 and 31, in each case, the words "and the city council in the manner hereinbefore provided."

Mr. Russell of Boston moved to amend the bill recommended as a substitute by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading by striking out section 4.

Point of order.

Mr. Fitzgerald raised the point of order that the amendments moved by Mr. Lomasney were beyond the scope of the subject-matter considered by the committee.

Pending the decision of the Chair on the point of order, the bill was postponed for further consideration until Monday, there being no objection.

The Bill relative to the Boston Transit Commission (House, No. 1136) was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

After debate the House refused to substitute the bill, previously moved as a substitute by Mr. Clerke of Boston, by a vote of 21 to 59.

Mr. Odlin of Andover raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 112 members were present.

The same gentleman moved that the House adjourn, which motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

On the appearance of a quorum the question was again put, the House refused to substitute the bill moved as a substitute by Mr. Clerke, by a vote of 27 to 73, and the bill (House, No. 1136) was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (recommended, with accompanying bill, House, No. 819) of the Fitchburg and Suburban Street Railway Company for authority to extend its tracks and to operate freight cars and to act as a common carrier, was considered.

Mr. Blood of Fitchburg moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relative to the Fitchburg and Suburban Street Railway Company" (House, No. 1166).

After debate the bill was substituted, and having been read was placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

The Bill to require railroad companies to equip their cars with platform gates (House, No. 649) was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Reed of Taunton moved that it be postponed for consideration until Monday, which motion was lost.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to injuries upon or about railroads and railways (House, No. 544) was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Selfridge of Boston.

The Bill to provide for the transportation of the bicycles of passengers as baggage (House, No. 592) was read a second time and considered.

On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, it was voted that debate be closed at half-past three o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached.

Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the same gentleman moved that it be referred to the next General Court.

After debate Mr. Salter of Lynn moved the previous question. Pending this motion, the time arrived at which the House voted to close debate.

On the question on referring the bill to the next General Court the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy, and the roll being called the House refused to refer the bill to the next General Court, by a vote of 39 yeas to 58 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Andrews, Richard F., Jr.	Messrs. McLoughlin, William I.
Blood, Charles H.	Minihan, Cornelius
Bresnahan, Hugh W.	Myers, James J.
Bridgeo, William	Odlin, William
Cook, Clifford A.	Ramsdell, Charles H.
Davis, Daniel W.	Ross, Leonard W.
Donovan, Edward J.	Russell, Arthur P.
Donovan, James H.	Sands, Edward P.
Green, Thomas H.	Schofield, William
Harvell, Elisha T.	Smith, Allen F.
Harwood, George F.	Smith, Charles G.
Heath, Guilford P.	Sullivan, Michael J.
Kane, Daniel J.	Tolman, William
Kells, William, Jr.	Toomey, John J.
Kyle, William S.	Trow, Charles E.
Lomasney, Martin M.	Turner, Henry E.
Lombard, Edward M.	Twombly, Horatio F.
Mahoney, David A.	Twomey, Edmund J.
Mahony, Frederick C.	White, Horace C.
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles H.	Messrs. Chase, Henry L.
Andrews, David B.	Cluer, Arthur H.
Apsey, Albert S.	Cole, Samuel
Balcom, George	Corey, Charles V.
Bleiler, John	Crosby, Aaron S.

Messrs. Crosby, J. Howell	Messrs. Miller, Charles H.
Cullinane, Richard	Mills, Charles P.
Daly, William	Minton, John M.
Dean, Charles A.	Neal, David
Donovan, Eugene E.	Parker, William C.
Eddy, Curtis	Porter, Thomas F.
Fitts, Frank E.	Quigley, William J.
Foster, Frank A.	Ray, Albert H.
Francis, Frank W.	Reed, Silas D.
Hagberg, John G.	Ross, Samuel
Hancock, Portus B.	Salter, William R.
Harlow, Franklin P.	Scates, Louis M.
Haywood, Charles E.	Severance, Joseph C.
Henderson, Francis D.	Sheppard, Eben W.
Jones, Michael B.	Skinner, Henry R.
Keyou, Nicholas B.	Smith, Charles F. A.
King, Randolph V.	Sparks, John T.
Lanergan, John P.	Stewart, Joseph I.
Langford, John T.	Varney, George E.
Libby, John F.	Wallace, S. Ives
Lockhart, Alexander	Wheeler, William D.
Mansfield, Matthew M.	Whelan, John B.
Marchant, Charles S.	Williams, George F.
Marchesseault, Eugene D.	Wood, Alva S.

39 yeas ; 58 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Harwood, Herbert J.	Messrs. Shaw, Nathan W.*
Rounseville, Albert*	Estes, Eugene B.
Learoyd, Addison P.*	Hopewell, William
Pike, William T.*	Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
Goulding, Albert M.	Bullock, William J.*
Selfridge, George S.*	Bushnell, S. Hopkins
Simmons, Arthur A.	Luce, Robert*
Sisson, Robert S.	Sprague, Eugene H.*
Mead, Edward C.*	Battles, David W.
Farwell, Frederick W.*	Howland, Charles W.
Crosby, Alfred R.*	Lowe, John H.
Saunders, Charles R.*	Turtle, William
Leland, Francis*	Morse, Merrick A.
Stanley, Benjamin F.*	Persons, Charles H.
Chandler, Leonard B.	Clerke, Charles S.*
Dean, George Z.	Litchfield, William C.*

* Present.

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YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Ellsworth, J. Lewis*	Messrs. Ainsworth, Wilfred
McCarthy, Jeremiah F.*	Willard, Edward E.
Drake, Frederic P.*	Dyer, George N.
Adams, Austin F.*	Mackey, Thomas
Bennett, Frank P.	Fitzgerald, William T. A.*
Folsom, Albert T.	King, Charles F.*
Dean, Benjamin C.*	Feiker, William H.
Bartlett, Edwin*	Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
Fisher, George E.	Carey, James F.*
Skillings, William E.	Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.*
Ames, Butler*	Bugbee, Nelson A.
Marden, William H.	Brigham, William M.*
Burrington, Lester L.	Howland, Willard*
Stone, Silas A.	Sullivan, Timothy F.*
Hooper, Franklin K.*	Root, Albert B.
Gartland, John J., Jr.*	Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
Dudley, George J.*	Howard, Robert
Donovan, Michael J.	Davis, William R.*

* Present.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 64 to 51.

Mr. McCarthy raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 132 members were present.

The Bill relative to the assumption of risks of danger by employees (House, No. 539) was taken up, and pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary,

On motion of Mr. Fitts of Somerville, at eight minutes before four o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, May 8, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Resolution of Sympathy to Representative Archie N. Frost.

Mr. Davis of Amesbury presented the following resolution : —

Resolved, That an expression of sympathy and hope of speedy recovery be and hereby is extended to Representative Archie N. Frost of the Sixth Essex District. Representative
Archie N.
Frost.

The resolution was read, and was unanimously adopted, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Davis.

Order.

The consideration of the following order, offered by Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, was postponed until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield : —

Ordered, That the Insurance Commissioner be and hereby is instructed to inquire whether the Commonwealth might not, to the advantage of the industrial classes, assume the business of prudential and industrial life insurance conducted upon the assessment or level premium plan within the Commonwealth, and to report the result of his investigations, with his conclusions thereon, including the probable cost of carrying on the business, as compared with the receipts therefrom, to the General Court of the year nineteen hundred. Insurance
Commissioner,
— prudential
and industrial
life insurance.

Annual Report.

The fiftieth annual report of the Auditor of Accounts (Pub. Doc. No. 6) was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and was referred to the committee on Ways and Means. Auditor of
Accounts, —
annual report.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Estes of Brockton, petition of Emery M. Low, W. H. Emerson and others ; and by Mr. King of Boston, petition of Roderick Stebbins, A. R. Manning and others, Nantasket
Beach, — pub-
lic reservation.

— severally, in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation. Severally placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Committee on
Railroads, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Railroads shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Friday, May 12.

Reports :

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw :

City of Boston,
— assessments
for highway
construction.

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 464) of Frank E. Gilcrease and others for legislation to authorize the city of Boston to abate a portion of certain assessments for the construction of highways ;

City of Boston,
— plotting and
laying out of
streets.

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 494) of John Mason Little for an amendment of chapter 210 of the Acts of the year 1898 relative to the plotting and laying out of streets in the city of Boston ; and

Id.

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 517) of Roswell S. Barrows for legislation relative to the plotting and laying out of streets in the city of Boston ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Civil service
laws, — enforce-
ment.

A Bill to provide for the better enforcement of the laws relative to the civil service (Senate, No. 322) (reported on the annual report of the Attorney-General, Pub. Doc. No. 12, in part), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Town of
Winthrop, —
shore road.

The House Bill to authorize the town of Winthrop to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of constructing, in conjunction with the Metropolitan Park Commission, a shore road (House, No. 1112) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Schofield of Malden, from the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly, that the Bill (taken from the files of last year) relative to the powers and duties of the Metropolitan Water Board and to the compensation for damages occasioned to the town of Clinton by the construction of the metropolitan water system (House, No. 841) be referred to the next General Court. [Mr. Sullivan of Boston, of the House, of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, dissenting.] Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the reference of the bill to the next General Court.

Metropolitan Water Board,— powers and duties; town of Clinton, — compensation for damages.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill relative to certain grade crossings in the cities of Cambridge and Boston ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 1174.)

Cities of Cambridge and Boston, — grade crossings.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the same committee, that the Bill to provide for building and repairing certain bridges and breakwaters in the town of Scituate ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title, “ Bill to provide for repairing certain highways and bridges in the town of Scituate.” (House, No. 1175.)

Town of Scituate, — highways and bridges.

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the joint committee on Ways and Means, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Annie H. Corson. (House, No. 790.)

Annie H. Corson.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve relative to the Pan-American Exposition (Senate, No. 323) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Pan-American Exposition.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Selfridge of Boston, the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 694) of John I. Toland for legislation to more fully define the employer's liability, was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until Thursday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Employer's liability.

Employers'
liability.

On further motions of the same gentleman, the Bill to amend an act relative to employers' liability (House, No. 631) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until Thursday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Railroads and
railways, —
injuries.

On further motions of the same gentleman, the Bill relative to injuries upon or about railroads and railways (House, No. 544) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until Thursday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day, pending the question on passing it to be engrossed.

Personal injury
or death.

On motions of Mr. Chapple of Salem, the bills :
Giving a right of action for personal injury or death (House, No. 449) ; and

Id.

Relative to evidence in actions for personal injuries and death (House, No. 450) ;

Were severally taken from the table and postponed for consideration until Thursday next, to be placed fourth and fifth in the orders of the day, respectively, pending the question, in each case, on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Reconsideration.

Railroad com-
panies, — work-
ingmen's
trains.

Mr. Dean of Wakefield moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, accepted the report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 589) of Charles A. Dean for legislation relative to workingmen's trains and extending the time of service thereof, which motion, after debate, was adopted.

Pending the recurring question on the acceptance of the report, it was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Railroad com-
panies, —
platform gates
on cars.

Mr. Haskins of Rockport moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, passed to be engrossed the Bill to require railroad companies to equip their cars with platform gates (House, No. 649), which motion, after debate, was adopted, by a vote of 72 to 35.

Mr. Reed of Taunton raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 155 members were present.

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Haskins moved that it be postponed for consideration until to-morrow.

Mr. Donahue of Fall River moved that it be postponed for consideration until Thursday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston moved that it be postponed for further consideration until Friday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, which motion was adopted, and the bill was postponed accordingly.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. Marden of Stoneham, the Bill to extend civil service exemption to veterans of the war with Spain (Senate, No. 316) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Soldiers and sailors, — civil service exemption.

On motions of Mr. Blood of Fitchburg, the Bill relative to the assumption of risks of danger by employees (House, No. 539), being the unfinished business of Friday last, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Thursday next, to be placed sixth in the orders of the day, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Labor, — assumption of risks by employees.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 11) ; and

Orders of the day.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 579) of William A. Munroe for further legislation relative to suits to quiet the title of real estate ; and

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1032) of Richard W. Shea for legislation to regulate procedure in taxation of costs in cases and expenses appealed from probate courts to the Supreme Judicial Court ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the care of neglected children in the custody of the trustees for children in the city of Boston and children in the house of reformation for the county of Suffolk (House, No. 852) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill making an appropriation for expenses in connection with the industries at the State Farm (House, No. 1158) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the purchase of gas and electric plants by cities and towns (House, No. 339) was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Adams of Melrose moved to amend section 1 by inserting after the word "however," in line 8, the words "for such portions of the plant as are used for supplying light to cities and towns."

After debate the amendment was rejected, the House refused to order the bill to a third reading, by a vote of 31 to 65, and notice of its rejection was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the rights of owners of real estate in the matter of granting liquor licenses (House, No. 1150) was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Donahue of Fall River, and the roll being called the House refused to pass the bill to be engrossed, by a vote of 65 yeas to 106 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Balcom, George
Bleiler, John
Boylston, Ward N.
Bresnahan, Hugh W.
Briggs, Clarence A.
Brown, Willard M.
Bugbee, Nelson A.
Clerke, Charles S.
Crouch, Charles S.
Cullinane, Richard
Daly, William
Davenport, William A.
Dillon, Thomas J.
Donahue, Thomas

Messrs. Donovan, Edward J.
Donovan, James H.
Donovan, Michael J.
Dooling, Thomas J.
Douglass, John J.
Dumond, John B.
Fitzgerald, William T. A.
Flanagan, John J.
Francis, Frank W.
Gaddis, Michael E.
Gartland, John J., Jr.
Gilpatric, Fred C.
Green, Thomas H.
Hancock, Portus B.

<p>Messrs.Harriman, Charles H. Haskins, Leander M. Hayes, William H. I. Howard, Robert Howland, Charles W. Jones, Michael B. Kane, Daniel J. Kavanaugh, John E. Kells, William, Jr. King, Charles F. King, Randolph V. Lanergan, John P. Lockhart, Alexander Lomasney, Martin M. Mackey, Thomas Mahoney, David A. Mahony, Frederick C. Mansfield, Matthew M. McCarthy, Jeremiah F.</p>	<p>Messrs.McIsaac, Daniel V. McLoughlin, William I. Minton, John M. Montgomery, James A. Morrison, Andrew H. Munroe, John P. Odlin, William Paton, Alexander S. Queeney, James H. Quigley, William J. Reed, Silas D. Ross, Samuel Sands, Edward P. Sparks, John T. Sullivan, Timothy F. Toomey, John J. Twomey, Edmund J. Whelan, John B.</p>
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NAYS.

<p>Messrs.Adams, Austin F. Adams, Charles H. Ames, Butler Bartlett, Edwin Battles, David W. Blood, Charles H. Bridgeo, William Brigham, William M. Brooks, Charles C. Burgess, Albert H. Burrington, Lester L. Campbell, Andrew Carey, James F. Carleton, George H. Chadwick, N. Henry Chandler, Leonard B. Chase, Henry L. Cluer, Arthur H. Cole, Samuel Conwell, Robert E. Coolidge, Daniel S. Corey, Charles V. Crosby, Alfred R. Crosby, J. Howell Davis, William R. Dean, Charles A. Dean, George Z. Dewey, Frank S., Jr. Drake, Frederic P.</p>	<p>Messrs.Dudley, George J. Dyer, George N. Eddy, Curtis Ellsworth, J. Lewis Estes, Eugene B. Farwell, Frederick W. Fisher, George E. Fitts, Frank E. Folsom, Albert T. Foster, Frank A. Goulding, Albert M. Hagberg, John G. Harlow, Franklin P. Harvell, Elisha T. Harwood, George F. Harwood, Herbert J. Hawes, Martin E. Haywood, Charles E. Heath, Guilford P. Henderson, Francis D. Hooper, Franklin K. Johnson, Charles R. Judd, William E. Kyle, William S. Langford, John T. Learoyd, Addison P. Leland, Francis Leslie, George F. Libby, John F.</p>
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Messrs. Litchfield, James A.	Messrs. Schofield, William
Litchfield, William C.	Selfridge, George S.
Lombard, Edward M.	Severance, Joseph C.
Lowe, John H.	Shaw, Nathan W.
Luce, Robert	Sheppard, Eben W.
Marchant, Charles S.	Simmons, Arthur A.
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.	Smith, Allen F.
Mead, Edward C.	Spooner, Wallace
Miller, Charles H.	Stalker, Hugh L.
Morse, Merrick A.	Stanley, Benjamin F.
Myers, James J.	Stewart, Joseph I.
Neal, David	Stone, Silas A.
Newton, Phineas S.	Swift, William S.
Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.	Tolman, William
Parker, William C.	Trow, Charles E.
Persons, Charles H.	Turner, Henry E.
Porter, Thomas F.	Upton, Charles H.
Puffer, Herbert C.	Varney, George E.
Robinson, Lewis D.	Weston, Walter S.
Ross, Leonard W.	Wheeler, William D.
Russell, Arthur P.	White, Horace C.
Salter, William R.	Willard, Edward E.
Saunders, Charles R.	Williams, George F.
Scates, Louis M.	Wood, Alva S.

65 yeas ; 106 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Grant, Oliver S.	Messrs. Donovan, Eugene E.*
Ainsworth, Wilfred	Rounseville, Albert*
Bullock, William J.*	Chapple, William D.
Minihan, Cornelius*	Huntress, Franklin E.
Murphy, Mortimer D. A.*	Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
Mellen, James H.*	Smith, Charles F. A.
Currier, Guy W.	Newton, H. Huestis*
Hopewell, William*	Ramsdell, Charles H.
Sullivan, Michael J.*	Whipple, John J.
Love, Joseph P.*	Grimes, James W.

* Present.

The report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 129) of William C. Parker and another for legislation to establish two polling places for caucuses in ward ten in the city of Boston, was considered.

Mr. Parker of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to establish two polling places for caucuses in ward ten in the city of Boston."

After debate the House refused to substitute the bill, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the sewerage works of the city of Boston (House, No. 1129) was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The Speaker ruled that the point of order previously raised by Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, that the pending amendments moved by Mr. Lomasney of Boston were beyond the scope of the subject-matter considered by the committee, was not well taken. Ruling by the Speaker.

The pending amendment moved by Mr. Fitzgerald to the bill recommended as a substitute by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection.

The same gentleman moved to amend section 4 of the bill recommended as a substitute by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading by striking out, in lines 2 and 3, the words "use the proceeds of the bonds issued as hereinbefore provided," and inserting in place thereof the words "issue bonds of said city which shall be outside of the debt limit thereof and use the proceeds of the same;" by inserting after the word "works," in line 10, the words "amounting to the sum of one hundred and twenty-two thousand six hundred and sixty-nine dollars and eighty-eight cents as already appropriated;" and by adding at the end of the section the words "not exceeding the sum of three hundred and fifty thousand dollars as already appropriated."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Hawes of Weymouth, the pending amendments moved by Mr. Lomasney were adopted.

On the question on the adoption of the amendments moved by Mr. Fitzgerald, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of that gentleman, and the roll being called the amendments were adopted, by a vote of 65 yeas to 64 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Balcom, George
Bleiler, John
Bresnahan, Hugh W.
Bridgeo, William

Messrs. Brooks, Charles C.
Bugbee, Nelson A.
Carey, James F.
Corey, Charles V.

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Messrs. Currier, Guy W.

Daly, William
 Dean, Charles A.
 Donahue, Thomas
 Donovan, Eugene E.
 Donovan, James H.
 Donovan, Michael J.
 Dooling, Thomas J.
 Douglass, John J.
 Dyer, George N.
 Fisher, George E.
 Fitzgerald, William T. A.
 Flanagan, John J.
 Foster, Frank A.
 Gaddis, Michael E.
 Gartland, John J., Jr.
 Green, Thomas H.
 Hancock, Portus B.
 Harvie, Robert B.
 Harwood, Herbert J.
 Hawes, Martin E.
 Jones, Michael B.
 Kane, Daniel J.
 Kavanaugh, John E.
 Keyou, Nicholas B.
 King, Charles F.
 Litchfield, James A.
 Lockhart, Alexander
 Luce, Robert

Messrs. Mackey, Thomas

Mahoney, David A.
 Mahony, Frederick C.
 Marden, William H.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
 McIsaac, Daniel V.
 Mellen, James H.
 Miller, Charles H.
 Minihan, Cornelius
 Minton, John M.
 Morrison, Andrew H.
 Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
 Neal, David
 Newton, Phinehas S.
 Queeney, James H.
 Quigley, William J.
 Reed, Silas D.
 Ross, Samuel
 Rounseville, Albert
 Scates, Louis M.
 Severance, Joseph C.
 Sparks, John T.
 Stewart, Joseph I.
 Sullivan, Michael J.
 Sullivan, Timothy F.
 Tolman, William
 Toomey, John J.
 Twomey, Edmund J.

NAYS.**Messrs. Ames, Butler**

Andrews, David B.
 Apsey, Albert S.
 Blood, Charles H.
 Briggs, Clarence A.
 Brigham, William M.
 Brown, Henry L.
 Burgess, Albert H.
 Campbell, Andrew
 Carleton, George H.
 Chandler, Leonard B.
 Chase, Henry L.
 Cole, Samuel
 Coolidge, Daniel S.
 Crosby, Alfred R.
 Crosby, J. Howell
 Davis, William R.
 Donovan, Edward J.
 Drake, Frederic P.

Messrs. Dumond, John B.

Farwell, Frederick W.
 Folsom, Albert T.
 Gilpatric, Fred C.
 Hagberg, John G.
 Harlow, Franklin P.
 Harvell, Elisha T.
 Hayes, William H. I.
 Heath, Guilford P.
 Hooper, Franklin K.
 King, Randolph V.
 Lomasney, Martin M.
 Lombard, Edward M.
 Lowe, John H.
 Marchant, Charles S.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
 Mead, Edward C.
 Myers, James J.
 Parker, William C.

Messrs. Persons, Charles H.	Messrs. Sprague, Eugene H.
Porter, Thomas F.	Stalker, Hugh L.
Puffer, Herbert C.	Stanley, Benjamin F.
Robinson, Lewis D.	Stone, Silas A.
Ross, Leonard W.	Trow, Charles E.
Russell, Arthur P.	Turner, Henry E.
Sands, Edward P.	Twombly, Horatio F.
Saunders, Charles R.	Upton, Charles H.
Schofield, William	Varney, George E.
Selfridge, George S.	Whall, Harry B.
Smith, Allen F.	Wheeler, William D.
Smith, Charles F. A.	White, Horace C.
Spooner, Wallace	Wood, Alva S.

65 yeas ; 64 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Langford, John T.	Messrs. Weston, Walter S.*
McLoughlin, William I.	Eddy, Curtis*
Grant, Oliver S.	Cullinane, Richard*
Conroy, Thomas A.	Leland, Francis*
Kells, William, Jr.*	Hopewell, William
Love, Joseph P.	Battles, David W.*
Lanergan, John P.*	Dean, Benjamin C.

* Present.

The pending amendment moved by Mr. Russell of Boston, striking out section 4, was adopted, by a vote of 56 to 37.

Mr. Lomasney moved that the House adjourn, which motion was lost.

The bill recommended as a substitute by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading (House, No. 1168), as amended, was then substituted and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

At half-past four o'clock, under the standing order, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 9, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by Reverend Lewis B. Bates of Boston.

Orders.

Insurance
Commissioner,
— prudential
and industrial
life insurance.

The order instructing the Insurance Commissioner to inquire whether the Commonwealth might not, to the advantage of the industrial classes, assume the business of prudential and industrial life insurance conducted upon the assessment or level premium plan, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, was considered, and after debate, was rejected, by a vote of 25 to 39.

Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 104 members were present.

On motion of Mr. Ames of Lowell, the Seageant-at-Arms was instructed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

On the appearance of a quorum the question was again put, and the order was rejected, by a vote of 39 to 54.

The consideration of the following order, offered by Mr. Donahue of Fall River, was postponed until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield:—

Chief of the
District Police,
— employment
of women and
minors in straw
and palm leaf
manufactories.

Ordered, That the Chief of the District Police be instructed to investigate into the employment of women and minors in the manufactories of straw and palm leaf work of the state and whether the provisions of sections eleven and twelve of chapter five hundred and eight of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-four are violated during certain months of the year, and if the repeal of the provision permitting overtime work for said women and minors contained in section eleven of said chapter would seriously interfere with the business of such industries. Report on the inquiry shall be made to the General Court of the year nineteen hundred by the second week of January, with such recommendations as may be deemed necessary.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioner, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 158) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation to permit the consolidation of the several petitions to be brought for damages sustained by the city of Boston under chapter 488 of the Acts of the year 1895 in one proceeding and for the determination of said damages by commissioners appointed by the court, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of Boston,
— consolidation
of suits for
damages.

Bills :

To regulate the width of tires on draught wagons (Senate, No. 302) (new draft of a bill, House, No. 1034, passed to be engrossed by the House) ;

Draught
wagons, —
width of tires.

Relative to the solemnization of marriages (Senate, No. 320) (reported on so much of the annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, Pub. Doc. No. 46, as was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, in part) [Mr. Davenport of Greenfield, of the House, dissenting] ; and

Marriages, —
solemnization.

Relative to examining boards for officers of the volunteer militia (Senate, No. 328) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 160) [Mr. Sargent, of the Senate, dissenting] ;

Militia, —
examining
boards for
officers.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill to authorize the purchase of historical works relative to the services of Massachusetts volunteers during the Spanish war (Senate, No. 290) (reported on so much of the annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, Pub. Doc. No. 46, as was referred to the committee on Printing, in part), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
historical
works.

The House Bill to prevent coercion of employees (House, No. 565) came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendment, concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference, and that Messrs. George, Williams and Woodsum had been appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

Committee of
conference, —
coercion of
employees.

Engineers and
firemen, —
licenses.

The House Bill relative to the licensing of engineers and firemen (House, No. 1093) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Kyle of Plymouth, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Metropolitan
Park Commis-
sioners, —
compensation.

The House Bill to provide compensation for the Metropolitan Park Commissioners (House, No. 1097) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments.

Mr. Bennett of Saugus moved a suspension of the rule that the amendments might be considered, which motion, after debate, was adopted, by a vote of 78 to 17.

After further debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Sprague of Quincy, the House refused to concur with the Senate in its amendments, by a vote of 43 to 70, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

City of Fall
River, — charter.

The House Bill to revise the charter of the city of Fall River (House, No. 1138) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Nantasket
Beach, — pub-
lic reservation.

A petition of Benjamin N. Johnson, Samuel B. Stewart and others in aid of the petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation, was placed on file.

Reports of Committees.

Town of
Lexington, —
sewerage
system.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of the sewer commissioners of the town of Lexington for legislation relative to the sewerage system of said town. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hayes of Lowell, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1178) was referred to the committee on Drainage.

Towns of
Royalston and
Phillipston, —
telephone line.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of E. B. Hanson and others for legislation to authorize the construction of a telephone line between the towns of Royalston and Phillipston. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the

12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1179) was referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the Resolve (introduced on leave) to amend a resolve of the current year granting a county tax for the county of Hampden. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCarthy, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the resolve (Senate, No. 329) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Counties.

County of
Hampden, —
county tax.

By Mr. Saunders of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be not suspended on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Groveland for legislation to authorize said town to levy an annual tax upon all street railway cars that enter, pass through or depart from its limits. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, the House refused to suspend the 12th joint rule, and the petition was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

Town of Grove-
land, — tax on
street railway
cars.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Rules, to whom was referred the order relative to limiting speeches to ten minutes each in debate on all matters coming before the House on and after Monday, May 8, recommending the substitution of the following order: —

Ordered, That on and after Wednesday, May 10, in debate on all matters coming before the House, speeches shall be limited to ten minutes each. If this rule is suspended, it shall entitle the member speaking to five minutes further time.

Ten-minute
speeches.

By Mr. Bartlett of Oxford, from the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted, with accompanying bill, House, No. 505) of Richard Cullinane for legislation relative to the settlement of disputes between employers and employees.

Labor, —
settlement of
disputes.

By Mr. Huntress of Somerville, from the committee on Manufactures, on the fourteenth annual report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 35), that they have considered the bills recom-

Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Commis-
sioners, —
annual report.

mended by the majority and minority of said commissioners relative to the consolidation of gas companies furnishing gas in the city of Boston and report that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, from the committee on Ways and Means, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for expenses in connection with the extermination of contagious diseases among horses, cattle and other animals. (House, No. 1180.)

Rhoda Rosella
Grant.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the same committee, on a petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 1126), a Resolve in favor of Rhoda Rosella Grant. (House, No. 1177.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

County of Suffolk, — additional assistant clerk of the Superior Court for civil business.

By Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, from the committee on Counties on the part of the House, that the Bill to provide for an additional assistant clerk of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 313) ought to pass.

Town of
Danvers, —
fire department.

By Mr. Crosby of Attleborough, from the committee on Towns, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to repeal the act establishing a fire department for the town of Danvers (House, No. 1153) ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

City of Boston,
— water supply
damages to
towns on the
Sudbury River.

By Mr. Ray of Ashland, from the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 362), a Bill relative to damages occasioned by the construction of basins or reservoirs for water supply along the Sudbury River. [Messrs. Hodgkins and Tague, of the Senate, and White of Somerville, Stewart of Boston, Keith of Cambridge and Schofield of Malden, of the House, of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, dissenting.] Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Motions to Reconsider.

City of Boston,
— sewerage
works.

Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed, as amended, the Bill relative to the sewerage works of the city of Boston (House, No. 1129).

After debate the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Fitzgerald, and the roll being called the House refused to reconsider, by a vote of 62 yeas to 96 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Balcom, George
 Bleiler, John
 Brooks, Charles C.
 Brown, Willard M.
 Bugbee, Nelson A.
 Carey, James F.
 Crosby, J. Howell
 Crouch, Charles S.
 Currier, Guy W.
 Daly, William
 Dean, Charles A.
 Donovan, James H.
 Donovan, Michael J.
 Douglass, John J.
 Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
 Dyer, George N.
 Fisher, George E.
 Fitts, Frank E.
 Fitzgerald, William T. A.
 Flanagan, John J.
 Foster, Frank A.
 Gaddis, Michael E.
 Gartland, John J., Jr.
 Green, Thomas H.
 Hancock, Portus B.
 Harwood, Herbert J.
 Henderson, Francis D.
 Howard, Robert
 Howland, Charles W.
 Johnson, Charles R.
 Kane, Daniel J.

Messrs. Kavanaugh, John E.
 Keyou, Nicholas B.
 King, Charles F.
 Lanergan, John P.
 Leslie, George F.
 Luce, Robert
 Mahony, Frederick C.
 Mansfield, Matthew M.
 Marchesseault, Eugene D.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
 Mellen, James H.
 Minihan, Cornelius
 Minton, John M.
 Munroe, John P.
 Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
 Neal, David
 Paton, Alexander S.
 Prindle, John F.
 Queeney, James H.
 Quigley, William J.
 Reed, Silas D.
 Salter, William R.
 Scates, Louis M.
 Severance, Joseph C.
 Sheppard, Eben W.
 Sparks, John T.
 Stewart, Joseph I.
 Sullivan, Michael J.
 Sullivan, Timothy F.
 Tolman, William
 Watson, Walter S.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.
 Ames, Butler
 Andrews, David B.
 Battles, David W.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Boylston, Ward N.
 Briggs, Clarence A.
 Brigham, William M.
 Brown, Henry L.
 Burrington, Lester L.
 Bushnell, S. Hopkins

Messrs. Campbell, Andrew
 Carleton, George H.
 Chadwick, N. Henry
 Chandler, Leonard B.
 Chase, Henry L.
 Cole, Samuel
 Conwell, Robert E.
 Coolidge, Daniel S.
 Corey, Charles V.
 Cullinane, Richard
 Dalton, J. Frank

Messrs. Davenport, William A.	Messrs. Newton, H. Huestis
Davis, Daniel W.	Newton, Phinehas S.
Davis, William R.	Odlin, William
Dean, George Z.	Persons, Charles H.
Dewey, Frank S., Jr.	Porter, Thomas F.
Drake, Frederic P.	Powers, John A.
Dudley, George J.	Puffer, Herbert C.
Eddy, Curtis	Ramsdell, Charles H.
Ellsworth, J. Lewis	Robinson, Lewis D.
Estes, Eugene B.	Rounseville, Albert
Farwell, Frederick W.	Russell, Arthur P.
Folsom, Albert T.	Sands, Edward P.
Gilpatric, Fred C.	Saunders, Charles R.
Goulding, Albert M.	Schofield, William
Grimes, James W.	Selfridge, George S.
Harlow, Franklin P.	Simmons, Arthur A.
Haskins, Leander M.	Skinner, Henry R.
Hawes, Martin E.	Smith, Allen F.
Heath, Guilford P.	Smith, Charles F. A.
Hooper, Franklin K.	Smith, Charles G.
Hunt, James	Spooner, Wallace
Judd, William E.	Sprague, Eugene H.
King, Randolph V.	Stalker, Hugh L.
Kyle, William S.	Stanley, Benjamin F.
Learoyd, Addison P.	Swift, William S.
Leland, Francis	Trow, Charles E.
Litchfield, James A.	Turner, Henry E.
Lomasney, Martin M.	Twombly, Horatio F.
Lombard, Edward M.	Upson, Charles H.
Lowe, John H.	Varney, George E.
Marchant, Charles S.	Wallace, S. Ives
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.	Wells, Abelard E.
Miller, Charles H.	Weston, Walter S.
Mills, Charles P.	Wheeler, William D.
Moore, James S.	Whipple, John J.
Morse, Merrick A.	White, Horace C.
Myers, James J.	Wood, Alva S.

62 yeas ; 96 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Donahue, Thomas	Messrs. Horton, Henry T.*
Kells, William, Jr.	Hopewell, William *
McIsaac, Daniel V.*	Donovan, Edward J.

* Present.

Mr. Myers of Cambridge moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 579) of William A. Munroe for further legislation relative to suits to quiet the title of real estate. On further motion of the same gentleman, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Real estate, —
quieting of
titles.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to fines and forfeitures under the laws protecting fish and game ;

Bills enacted.

Relative to the duties of assessors in the city of Boston ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relative to the registration and protection of labels, trade marks, stamps and forms of advertisements ; and

Relative to additions to and alterations and repairs of school buildings in the city of Boston ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of Thomas W. Mack ; and

Relative to the purchase of additional land for the use of the State Normal School at North Adams ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 801) of George Holden Tinkham for legislation relative to the expenditure of money by city officials, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the
day.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendments to the House Bill to authorize the town of Winthrop to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of constructing, in conjunction with the Metropolitan Park Commission, a shore road (House, No. 1112), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Bills :

To provide for repairing certain highways and bridges in the town of Scituate (House, No. 1175) ; and

Relative to Stony Brook in the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 637) ; and

The Resolve in favor of Annie H. Corson (House, No. 790) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the West Sutton Cemetery Association (House, No. 1165) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 1176), which was read and substituted and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to the authority of foreign surety companies to become surety on bonds to the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 207) ;

Relative to the annual expenditures of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (Senate, No. 295) ; and

Making appropriations for the Massachusetts Highway Commission (Senate, No. 308) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill providing for the abolition of the death penalty (House, No. 136) was considered, the question being on its reference to the next General Court, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston moved that debate be closed at half-past three o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached, and that speeches be limited to five minutes each, which motion, after debate, was adopted.

After further debate the bill was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee, by a vote of 112 to 36, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the punishment for murder (House, No. 380) was considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, was referred to the next General Court, as

recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The report of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 499) of Robert Luce for legislation relative to the taxation of foreign corporations having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth, was considered.

Mr. Luce of Somerville moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill concerning the taxation of foreign corporations having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth" (House, No. 499).

Pending the amendment and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report,

On motion of Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, at twenty-one minutes past four o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 10, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Orders.

The consideration of the following order, offered by Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, was postponed until to-morrow, at the request of Mr. Saunders of Boston : —

Hour of
meeting;
evening ses-
sions.

Ordered, That on and after Monday, May 15, until otherwise ordered, the House shall meet on each legislative day at half-past ten o'clock A.M., except on Mondays and Saturdays; that on Mondays the House shall meet at half-past twelve o'clock P.M.; that whenever the House is in session at ten minutes before one o'clock P.M., except on Mondays, the Speaker shall declare a recess until two o'clock P.M.; and that on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays the order requiring the Speaker to declare an adjournment at half-past four o'clock P.M. be suspended, and on said days, if the House is in session at half-past five o'clock P.M., the Speaker shall declare a recess until seven o'clock the same evening.

Chief of the
District Police,
— employment
of women and
minors in straw
and palm leaf
manufactories.

The order requiring the Chief of the District Police to investigate into the employment of women and minors in the manufactories of straw and palm leaf work of the State, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, was considered, and after debate was adopted, by a vote of 45 to 43, and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Millbury,
Sutton and
Douglas Rail-
road.

A report of the committee on Street Railways, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 317) of Thomas M. Babson and another that the time for completing the Millbury, Sutton and Douglas Railroad may be extended, and recommending that the same be referred

to the committee on Railroads, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

A report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 840) of George N. Harrington for legislation to incorporate the Boston and Eastern Express Company, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Boston and Eastern Express Company.

A Resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the International Exposition at Paris (Senate, No. 332) (reported on so much of the Governor's address, Senate, No. 1, as relates to the subject) was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on Ways and Means.

International Exposition at Paris.

The House Bill to authorize the replacing of street-car tracks on Boylston and Tremont streets in the city of Boston (House, No. 1002) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

City of Boston, — street-car tracks on Boylston and Tremont streets.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the committee on Ways and Means, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year and for certain other expenses authorized by law. (House, No. 1182.)

Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the widow of Franklin A. Gowen. (House, No. 1155.)

Widow of Franklin A. Gowen.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill relative to an additional water supply for the Medfield Insane Asylum ought to pass. (House, No. 1183.)

Medfield Insane Asylum, — water supply.

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the same committee, that the Bill to establish the Wachusett Mountain State Reservation in the county of Worcester (Senate, No. 289) ought to pass.

Wachusett Mountain State Reservation.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Motions to Discharge from the Orders of the Day.

Minors and
females, —
temperance.

Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to promote temperance among minors and females (printed as Senate, No. 117), which motion was lost.

City of Boston,
— finances.

Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill relative to the finances of the city of Boston (House, No. 1169), which motion, after debate, was lost.

Constitutional
amendment, —
verdicts of
juries in civil
causes.

Mr. Johnson of Worcester moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Resolve to provide for an amendment to the Constitution authorizing verdicts in trials by jury in civil causes upon the agreement of a less number than the whole number of the jurors (House, No. 769), which motion was lost, by a vote of 70 to 20, four-fifths of the members present and voting not having voted in the affirmative.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

Cities of Cam-
bridge and
Boston, — grade
crossings.

On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, the Bill relative to certain grade crossings in the cities of Cambridge and Boston (House, No. 1174) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the bill was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of Mr. McCarthy.

On motion of Mr. Judd of Holyoke, the order relative to limiting speeches to ten minutes each in debate on all matters coming before the House on and after Monday, May 8, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. The order recommended as a substitute by the committee on Rules was substituted and was adopted, as follows : —

Ten-minute
speeches.

Ordered, That on and after Wednesday, May 10, in debate on all matters coming before the House, speeches shall be limited to ten minutes each. If this rule is suspended it shall entitle the member speaking to five minutes further time.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioner, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 158) of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation to permit the consolidation of the several petitions to be brought for damages sustained by the city of Boston under chapter 488 of the Acts of the year 1895 in one proceeding and for the determination of said damages by commissioners appointed by the court, was accepted, in concurrence. Orders of the day.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendments to the House Bill to revise the charter of the city of Fall River (House, No. 1138), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Bills :

To authorize sheriffs and constables to store property removed by them from premises in the service of executions (House, No. 697) ;

To repeal the act establishing a fire department for the town of Danvers (House, No. 1153) ;

To regulate the width of tires on draught wagons (Senate, No. 302) ;

To provide for an additional assistant clerk of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 313) ; and

Relative to examining boards for officers of the volunteer militia (Senate, No. 328) ; and

Resolves :

To provide for the erection of a new building at the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates (House, No. 1173) ; and

In favor of Rhoda Rosella Grant (House, No. 1177) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for repairing certain highways and bridges in the town of Scituate (House, No. 1175) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 499) of Robert Luce for legislation relative to the taxation of foreign corporations having a

usual place of business in this Commonwealth, being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Smith of Dover, the House refused to substitute the pending bill (House, No. 499) moved by Mr. Luce of Somerville, by a vote of 5 to 54, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 597) of William R. Sessions and another for legislation to provide for the State assessment of personal property and the more complete taxation thereof, and on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 594) of William R. Sessions and another for legislation to tax the property of citizens of the Commonwealth held by foreign trustees, was considered.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to provide for the State assessment of personal property" (House, No. 597).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Swift of Tisbury, the House refused to substitute the bill.

Mr. Mellen doubted the vote and asked for a call of the yeas and nays. Less than thirty members having joined in the call, the yeas and nays were not ordered.

Mr. Mellen questioned the presence of a quorum. A count of the House showed that 103 members were present.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Waltham, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

On the appearance of a quorum Mr. Mellen renewed his request, the yeas and nays were ordered, and the roll being called the House refused to substitute the bill, by a vote of 31 yeas to 102 nays, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Balcom, George
Bennett, Frank P.
Brown, Willard M.
Carey, James F.
Cullinane, Richard
Daly, William
Dean, Charles A.
Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
Donovan, Eugene E.
Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d

Messrs. Foster, Frank A.
Hancock, Portus B.
Harvell, Elisha T.
Harwood, George F.
Lanergan, John P.
Mahony, Frederick C.
Mansfield, Matthew M.
Marchesseault, Eugene D.
McIsaac, Daniel V.
McLoughlin, William I.

Messrs. Mellen, James H.
 Moore, James S.
 Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
 Queeney, James H.
 Salter, William R.
 Scates, Louis M.

Messrs. Sparks, John T.
 Sprague, Eugene H.
 Stewart, Joseph I.
 Toomey, John J.
 Whelan, John B.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.
 Adams, Charles H.
 Ames, Butler
 Bartlett, Edwin
 Briggs, Clarence A.
 Brooks, Charles C.
 Bugbee, Nelson A.
 Bullock, William J.
 Burrington, Lester L.
 Campbell, Andrew
 Carleton, George H.
 Chadwick, N. Henry
 Chandler, Leonard B.
 Chapple, William D.
 Chase, Henry L.
 Cluer, Arthur H.
 Cole, Samuel
 Coolidge, Daniel S.
 Corey, Charles V.
 Crosby, Aaron S.
 Crosby, Alfred R.
 Crosby, J. Howell
 Crouch, Charles S.
 Dalton, J. Frank
 Davenport, William A.
 Davis, William R.
 Dean, George Z.
 Donovan, James H.
 Drake, Frederic P.
 Eddy, Curtis
 Ellsworth, J. Lewis
 Estes, Eugene B.
 Farwell, Frederick W.
 Feiker, William H.
 Fisher, George E.
 Goulding, Albert M.
 Hagberg, John G.
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Harvie, Robert B.
 Hawes, Martin E.
 Haywood, Charles E.
 Heath, Guilford P.

Messrs. Henderson, Francis D.
 Hooper, Franklin K.
 Horton, Henry T.
 Howland, Willard
 Hunt, James
 Johnson, Charles R.
 Judd, William E.
 Kavenaugh, John E.
 Keith, Charles P.
 King, Charles F.
 King, Randolph V.
 Kyle, William S.
 Learoyd, Addison P.
 Leland, Francis
 Leslie, George F.
 Libby, John F.
 Litchfield, James A.
 Lombard, Edward M.
 Luce, Robert
 McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
 Miller, Charles H.
 Morse, Merrick A.
 Munroe, John P.
 Myers, James J.
 Newton, H. Huestis
 Newton, Phinehas S.
 Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.
 Odlin, William
 Parker, William C.
 Powers, John A.
 Prindle, John F.
 Puffer, Herbert C.
 Quigley, William J.
 Ramsdell, Charles H.
 Robinson, Lewis D.
 Rounseville, Albert
 Russell, Arthur P.
 Saunders, Charles R.
 Schofield, William
 Selfridge, George S.
 Severance, Joseph C.
 Sisson, Robert S.

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Messrs. Skinner, Henry R.	Messrs. Turner, Henry E.
Smith, Allen F.	Turtle, William
Smith, Charles F. A.	Upson, Charles H.
Smith, Charles G.	Varney, George E.
Stanley, Benjamin F.	Wells, Abelard E.
Stone, Silas A.	Wentworth, Edward E.
Sullivan, Timothy F.	Whipple, John J.
Swift, William S.	Willard, Edward E.
Tolman, William	Wood, Alva S.

31 yeas ; 102 nays.

The report was then accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve to provide for an amendment to the Constitution authorizing verdicts in trials by jury in civil causes upon the agreement of a less number than the whole number of the jurors (House, No. 769) was considered, and after debate the House refused to order it to a third reading.

The Bill to require complete returns from foreign companies doing business in this Commonwealth (House, No. 293) was considered, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Taxation.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Keyou of Medford, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and the roll being called the bill was rejected, as recommended by the committee, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The vote was 83 yeas to 68 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Apsey, Albert S.	Messrs. Crosby, Alfred R.
Bartlett, Edwin	Crosby, J. Howell
Briggs, Clarence A.	Davis, William R.
Burgess, Albert H.	Dean, Charles A.
Campbell, Andrew	Dean, George Z.
Chadwick, N. Henry	Drake, Frederic P.
Chase, Henry L.	Ellsworth, J. Lewis
Clerke, Charles S.	Fisher, George E.
Cluer, Arthur H.	Folsom, Albert T.
Cole, Samuel	Foster, Frank A.
Cook, Clifford A.	Gilpatric, Fred C.
Corey, Charles V.	Grimes, James W.
Crosby, Aaron S.	Hagberg, John G.

Messrs. Harwood, George F.	Messrs. Powers, John A.
Haskins, Leander M.	Ramsdell, Charles H.
Hayes, William H. I.	Reed, Silas D.
Heath, Guilford P.	Robinson, Lewis D.
Henderson, Francis D.	Ross, Leonard W.
Hooper, Franklin K.	Rounseville, Albert
Horton, Henry T.	Saunders, Charles R.
Howland, Willard	Schofield, William
Hunt, James	Selfridge, George S.
Huntress, Franklin E.	Simmons, Arthur A.
Johnson, Charles R.	Sisson, Robert S.
Keith, Charles P.	Smith, Charles F. A.
King, Randolph V.	Smith, Charles G.
Kyle, William S.	Spooner, Wallace
Learoyd, Addison P.	Stalker, Hugh L.
Leland, Francis	Stanley, Benjamin F.
Libby, John F.	Stewart, Joseph I.
Litchfield, James A.	Stone, Silas A.
Lowe, John H.	Swift, William S.
Luce, Robert	Trow, Charles E.
Miller, Calvin S.	Turner, Henry E.
Miller, Charles H.	Upton, Charles H.
Moore, James S.	Wells, Abelard E.
Myers, James J.	Wentworth, Edward E.
Newton, H. Huestis	Wheeler, William D.
Newton, Phinehas S.	White, Horace C.
Parker, William C.	Willard, Edward E.
Paton, Alexander S.	Wood, Alva S.
Porter, Thomas F.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Balcom, George	Messrs. Fitzgerald, William T. A.
Bleiler, John	Flanagan, John J.
Brigham, William M.	Francis, Frank W.
Brooks, Charles C.	Green, Thomas H.
Brown, Willard M.	Hancock, Portus B.
Bugbee, Nelson A.	Harvell, Elisha T.
Carey, James F.	Harvie, Robert B.
Crouch, Charles S.	Hawes, Martin E.
Cullinane, Richard	Hopewell, William
Daly, William	Howard, Robert
Davis, Daniel W.	Kane, Daniel J.
Dewey, Frank S., Jr.	Kavanaugh, John E.
Donahue, Thomas	Kells, William, Jr.
Donovan, Edward J.	Keyou, Nicholas B.
Donovan, Eugene E.	King, Charles F.
Donovan, James H.	Lanergan, John P.
Dooling, Thomas J.	Leslie, George F.
Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d	Lomasney, Martin M.
Eddy, Curtis	Lombard, Edward M.

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Messrs. Mahoney, David A.	Messrs. Queeney, James H.
Mahony, Frederick C.	Quigley, William J.
Mansfield, Matthew M.	Ray, Albert H.
Marchesseault, Eugene D.	Salter, William R.
Marden, William H.	Scates, Louis M.
McCarthy, Jeremiah F.	Severance, Joseph C.
McLoughlin, William I.	Sparks, John T.
Mellen, James H.	Sprague, Eugene H.
Minihan, Cornelius	Sullivan, Michael J.
Minton, John M.	Sullivan, Timothy F.
Montgomery, James A.	Toomey, John J.
Murphy, Mortimer D. A.	Twomey, Edmund J.
Neal, David	Varney, George E.
Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.	Watson, Walter S.
Prindle, John F.	Whelan, John B.

83 yeas ; 68 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Ames, Butler*	Messrs. Puffer, Herbert C.
Chandler, Leonard B.*	Jones, Michael B.
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.*	Gartland, John J., Jr.
Feiker, William H.*	Mackey, Thomas
Marchant, Charles S.*	Douglass, John J.
Smith, Allen F.	Dillon, Thomas J.*
Langford, John T.*	Currier, Guy W.
Dalton, J. Frank *	Wallace, S. Ives
Tolman, William*	Grant, Oliver S.
Mead, Edward C.*	Persons, Charles H.
Bennett, Frank P.*	McIsaac, Daniel V.
Munroe, John P.*	Donovan, Michael J.
Adams, Austin F.*	Bresnahan, Hugh W.

* Present.

The report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 18) of the Massachusetts Anti-Double Taxation League and others for legislation to exempt from taxation in the Commonwealth personal property situated and taxed without the Commonwealth and shares of certain corporations organized under the laws of other states, was considered.

Mr. Luce of Somerville moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to exempt from taxation in the Commonwealth personal property situated and taxed without the

Commonwealth and shares of certain corporations organized under the laws of other states" (House, No. 18).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Hawes of Weymouth, the House refused to substitute the bill, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 589) of Charles A. Dean for legislation relative to workingmen's trains and extending the time of service thereof, was considered.

Mr. Dean of Wakefield moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to regulate passenger fares on railroads within the suburban district of Boston" (House, No. 589).

After debate Mr. Saunders of Boston moved a suspension of the order requiring the speaker to declare an adjournment at half-past four o'clock, which motion was lost.

Pending the amendment and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report,

At half-past four o'clock, under the standing order, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 11, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Annual Report.

Massachusetts
State Board of
Agriculture, —
annual report.

The forty-sixth annual report of the secretary of the Massachusetts State Board of Agriculture (Pub. Doc. No. 4) was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and was referred to the committee on Agriculture and sent up for concurrence.

Order.

The order relative to the holding of evening sessions, the consideration of which was postponed from yesterday, was considered.

Mr. Saunders of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of the following order:—

Hour of
meeting;
evening
sessions.

Ordered, That on and after Friday, May 12, until otherwise ordered, the House shall meet on each legislative day at ten o'clock A.M., except on Mondays and Saturdays; that on Mondays the House shall meet at half-past twelve o'clock P.M.; that whenever the House is in session at one o'clock P.M., except on Mondays, the Speaker shall declare a recess until two o'clock P.M.; and that on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays the order requiring the Speaker to declare an adjournment at half-past four o'clock P.M. be suspended, and on said days, if the House is in session at [A] five o'clock P.M., the Speaker shall declare an adjournment.

Mr. Simmons of Grafton moved to amend the order moved as a substitute by inserting at "A" the words "fifteen minutes before."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Dalton of Salem, the amendment moved by Mr. Simmons was rejected, the order moved by Mr. Saunders was substituted, by a vote of 92 to 59, and the order, as thus amended, was adopted, by a vote of 84 to 48.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, a Bill to confirm and make valid the acts of the town of Melrose at its annual meeting in the current year. The bill having been read, Mr. Adams moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Town of Melrose, — annual meeting.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 670) of Frank W. Estey for legislation relative to the construction of streets in the city of Boston ; and

City of Boston, — streets.

Of the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 408) of Charles W. Parker and others for compensation for damages in the town of Princeton occasioned by the construction of the metropolitan water system ;

Town of Princeton, — metropolitan water supply damages.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The House Bill relative to the taking of land by cities and towns (House, No. 1026) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

Cities and towns, — taking of land.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Skillings of Boston, from the committee on State House, on so much of the Governor's address (Senate, No. 1) as relates to the State House, and on the annual report of the State House Construction Commissioners (House, No. 157), in part, a Bill to provide for enlarging and improving the State House grounds. (Printed as Senate, No. 285.) Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

State House grounds.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Dean of Wakefield moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition

Personal property, — state assessment and taxation ; prop-

erty held by
foreign trustees,
— taxation.

(with accompanying bill, House, No. 597) of William R. Sessions and another for legislation to provide for the State assessment of personal property and the more complete taxation thereof, and on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 594) of William R. Sessions and another for legislation to tax the property of citizens of the Commonwealth held by foreign trustees, and further moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table.

After debate the motion to lay on the table was lost, and the House refused to reconsider.

Taken from the Table.

Labor, —
interviews with
employees.

On motions of Mr. Scates of Haverhill, the Bill to regulate the privileges of persons demanding interviews with employees (House, No. 371) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until Monday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Labor.

Parks, park-
ways and
boulevards, —
disfigurement.

On motions of Mr. Haskins of Rockport, the Bill to protect public parks, parkways and boulevards from disfigurement (House, No. 132) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the watering of streets in the city of Boston ;
Making appropriations for the Massachusetts Highway Commission ;

To authorize the town of Winthrop to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of constructing, in conjunction with the Metropolitan Park Commission, a shore road ;

To establish the boundary line between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the State of New Hampshire ;
Relative to the licensing of engineers and firemen ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relative to the annual expenditures of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners ; and

Relative to the authority of foreign surety companies to become surety on bonds to the Commonwealth ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

To repay expenses for damages from fire and to pay for fire alarms at the Westborough Insane Hospital ; and Resolves passed.

To provide for securing a stained-glass window for the main staircase leading from Memorial Hall in the State House ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 840) of George N. Harrington for legislation to incorporate the Boston and Eastern Express Company ; and Orders of the day.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 464) of Frank E. Gilcrease and others for legislation to authorize the city of Boston to abate a portion of certain assessments for the construction of highways ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate Simmons Female College (House, No. 1171) ;

Making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year and for certain other expenses authorized by law (House, No. 1182) ; and

Relative to an additional water supply for the Medfield Insane Asylum (House, No. 1183) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To repeal the act establishing a fire department for the town of Danvers (House, No. 1153) ; and

Relative to the Metropolitan Park Commission (House, No. 1161) ; and

The Resolve to provide for the erection of a new building at the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates (House, No. 1173);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 589) of Charles A. Dean for legislation relative to workingmen's trains and extending the time of service thereof, was considered.

After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Judd of Holyoke.

On the question on the substitution of the pending bill (House, No. 589) moved by Mr. Dean of Wakefield, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of that gentleman, and the roll being called the House refused to substitute the bill, by a vote of 61 yeas to 87 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ainsworth, Wilfred

Balcom, George
 Battles, David W.
 Bridgeo, William
 Brooks, Charles C.
 Brown, Willard M.
 Bugbee, Nelson A.
 Carey, James F.
 Corey, Charles V.
 Cullinane, Richard
 Currier, Guy W.
 Daly, William
 Davis, William R.
 Dean, Charles A.
 Dillon, Thomas J.
 Donahue, Thomas
 Donovan, Eugene E.
 Donovan, James H.
 Dooling, Thomas J.
 Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
 Eddy, Curtis
 Estes, Eugene B.
 Fitzgerald, William T. A.
 Francis, Frank W.
 Green, Thomas H.
 Hancock, Portus B.
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Harvell, Elisha T.

Messrs. Harvie, Robert B.

Haywood, Charles E.
 Hopewell, William
 Kane, Daniel J.
 Kavanaugh, John E.
 Keith, Charles P.
 Kells, William, Jr.
 Keyou, Nicholas B.
 King, Charles F.
 Lanergan, John P.
 Langford, John T.
 Love, Joseph P.
 Mahony, Frederick C.
 Mansfield, Matthew M.
 Marchesseault, Eugene D.
 McIsaac, Daniel V.
 Mellen, James H.
 Montgomery, James A.
 Moore, James S.
 Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
 Neal, David
 Pike, William T.
 Prindle, John F.
 Queeney, James H.
 Ray, Albert H.
 Ross, Samuel
 Salter, William R.
 Scates, Louis M.

Messrs. Sullivan, Timothy F.	Messrs. Whelan, John B.
Twombly, Horatio F.	Willard, Edward E.
Weston, Walter S.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Ames, Butler	Messrs. Johnson, Charles R.
Andrews, David B.	Judd, William E.
Apsey, Albert S.	King, Randolph V.
Bartlett, Edwin	Kyle, William S.
Blood, Charles H.	Leland, Francis
Briggs, Clarence A.	Leslie, George F.
Brown, Henry L.	Litchfield, James A.
Bullock, William J.	Lockhart, Alexander
Burrington, Lester L.	Lombard, Edward M.
Campbell, Andrew	Lowe, John H.
Chandler, Leonard B.	Luce, Robert
Chapple, William D.	McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
Chase, Henry L.	Miller, Calvin S.
Cluer, Arthur H.	Mills, Charles P.
Cole, Samuel	Morrison, Andrew H.
Conroy, Thomas A.	Munroe, John P.
Conwell, Robert E.	Myers, James J.
Cook, Clifford A.	Newton, H. Huestis
Coolidge, Daniel S.	Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.
Crosby, Aaron S.	Porter, Thomas F.
Crosby, Alfred R.	Powers, John A.
Crosby, J. Howell	Ramsdell, Charles H.
Crouch, Charles S.	Reed, Silas D.
Dalton, J. Frank	Robinson, Lewis D.
Davenport, William A.	Ross, Leonard W.
Donovan, Edward J.	Schofield, William
Drake, Frederic P.	Selfridge, George S.
Dudley, George J.	Severance, Joseph C.
Dyer, George N.	Shaw, Nathan W.
Ellsworth, J. Lewis	Sheppard, Eben W.
Fisher, George E.	Smith, Allen F.
Gaddis, Michael E.	Smith, Charles G.
Goulding, Albert M.	Stalker, Hugh L.
Hagberg, John G.	Stone, Silas A.
Harlow, Franklin P.	Tatman, Charles T.
Harwood, Herbert J.	Tolman, William
Haskins, Leander M.	Trow, Charles E.
Hawes, Martin E.	Turner, Henry E.
Heath, Guilford P.	Upson, Charles H.
Henderson, Francis D.	Varney, George E.
Hooper, Franklin K.	Wells, Abelard E.
Horton, Henry T.	Wentworth, Edward E.
Howland, Charles W.	White, Horace C.
Huntress, Franklin E.	

61 yeas ; 87 nays.

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PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Jones, Michael B.*	Messrs. Grant, Oliver S.
Howard, Robert	Mahoney, David A.*
McLoughlin, William I.*	Smith, Charles F. A.
Brigham, William M.*	Mackey, Thomas
Sullivan, Michael J.*	Hayes, William H. I.
Sparks, John T.	Saunders, Charles R.*

* Present.

The report was then accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 694) of John I. Toland for legislation to more fully define the employer's liability, was considered.

The pending bill (House, No. 1160), moved as a substitute by Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection.

The same gentleman moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill relative to the assumption of risks of employees " (House, No. 1181).

On motion of Mr. Blood of Fitchburg, at eleven minutes before one o'clock, the House took a recess until two o'clock.

On the reassembling of the House the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Hawes of Weymouth.

On the question on the substitution of the bill, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Brigham, and the roll being called the House refused to substitute the bill, by a vote of 82 yeas to 88 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Ainsworth, Wilfred	Messrs. Brooks, Charles C.
Balcom, George	Brown, Willard M.
Battles, David W.	Bugbee, Nelson A.
Bleiler, John	Carey, James F.
Blood, Charles H.	Corey, Charles V.
Bresnahan, Hugh W.	Cullinane, Richard
Bridgeo, William	Currier, Guy W.
Brigham, William M.	Daly, William

Messrs. Davenport, William A.	Messrs. Love, Joseph P.
Dean, Charles A.	Lowe, John H.
Dewey, Frank S., Jr.	Luce, Robert
Dillon, Thomas J.	Mackey, Thomas
Donahue, Thomas	Mahoney, David A.
Donovan, Eugene E.	Mahony, Frederick C.
Donovan, James H.	Marchant, Charles S.
Dooling, Thomas J.	Marchesseault, Eugene D.
Douglass, John J.	Marden, William H.
Drake, Frederic P.	McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
Dudley, George J.	McLoughlin, William I.
Dyer, George N.	Mellen, James H.
Eddy, Curtis	Minihan, Cornelius
Estes, Eugene B.	Minton, John M.
Flanagan, John J.	Montgomery, James A.
Francis, Frank W.	Morrison, Andrew H.
Gilpatric, Fred C.	Murphy, Mortimer D.A.
Green, Thomas H.	Pike, William T.
Hagberg, John G.	Queeney, James H.
Hancock, Portus B.	Ray, Albert H.
Harriman, Charles H.	Reed, Silas D.
Harvie, Robert B.	Root, Albert B.
Howard, Robert	Ross, Samuel
Johnson, Charles R.	Rounseville, Albert
Jones, Michael B.	Scates, Louis M.
Kane, Daniel J.	Sullivan, Michael J.
Kavanaugh, John E.	Toomey, John J.
Keyou, Nicholas B.	Turtle, William
King, Charles F.	Twombly, Horatio F.
Lanergan, John P.	Varney, George E.
Leland, Francis	Wallace, S. Ives
Lockhart, Alexander	Weston, Walter S.
Lomasney, Martin M.	Whelan, John B.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.	Messrs. Cook, Clifford A.
Adams, Charles H.	Coolidge, Daniel S.
Apsey, Albert S.	Crosby, Aaron S.
Bennett, Frank P.	Crosby, Alfred R.
Boylston, Ward N.	Crosby, J. Howell
Briggs, Clarence A.	Dalton, J. Frank
Brown, Henry L.	Dean, Benjamin C.
Burgess, Albert H.	Dumond, John B.
Campbell, Andrew	Ellsworth, J. Lewis
Carleton, George H.	Farwell, Frederick W.
Chandler, Leonard B.	Fisher, George E.
Chase, Henry L.	Folsom, Albert T.
Clerke, Charles S.	Foster, Frank A.
Cluer, Arthur H.	Harlow, Franklin P.
Cole, Samuel	Harwood, George F.

Messrs. Harwood, Herbert J.	Messrs. Porter, Thomas F.
Haskins, Leander M.	Puffer, Herbert C.
Hawes, Martin E.	Ramsdell, Charles H.
Hayes, William H. I.	Robinson, Lewis D.
Haywood, Charles E.	Ross, Leonard W.
Henderson, Francis D.	Russell, Arthur P.
Hooper, Franklin K.	Sands, Edward P.
Hopewell, William	Saunders, Charles R.
Horton, Henry T.	Schofield, William
Howland, Charles W.	Seavey, James F.
Howland, Willard	Selfridge, George S.
Huntress, Franklin E.	Severance, Joseph C.
Judd, William E.	Shaw, Nathan W.
Keith, Charles P.	Sheppard, Eben W.
King, Randolph V.	Simmons, Arthur A.
Kyle, William S.	Smith, Allen F.
Leslie, George F.	Smith, Charles F. A.
Litchfield, James A.	Spooner, Wallace
Litchfield, William C.	Sprague, Eugene H.
Lombard, Edward M.	Stalker, Hugh L.
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.	Stone, Silas A.
Mead, Edward C.	Tatman, Charles T.
Moore, James S.	Tolman, William
Munroe, John P.	Upson, Charles H.
Myers, James J.	Wentworth, Edward E.
Newton, H. Huestis	Whipple, John J.
Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.	White, Horace C.
Odlin, William	Willard, Edward E.
Paton, Alexander S.	Williams, George F.

82 yeas ; 88 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Donovan, Edward J.	Messrs. Ames, Butler *
Sullivan, Timothy F. *	Miller, Calvin S.
Salter, William R. *	Whall, Harry B.
Persons, Charles H.	Bartlett, Edwin *
Twomey, Edmund J.	Trow, Charles E. *
Toland, John I.	Watson, Walter S. *
Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d	Powers, John A. *
Fitzgerald, William T. A.	Burrington, Lester L. *
Feiker, William H.	Turner, Henry E. *

* Present.

The report was then accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend an act relative to employers' liability (House, No. 631) was considered, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Hayes of Lowell, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. McLoughlin of Worcester, and the roll being called the bill was rejected, as recommended by the committee, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The vote was 69 yeas to 63 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs.	Yeas.	Messrs.	Yeas.
Adams, Charles H.		Huntress, Franklin E.	
Ames, Butler		King, Randolph V.	
Bartlett, Edwin		Langford, John T.	
Bennett, Frank P.		Litchfield, William C.	
Briggs, Clarence A.		Lombard, Edward M.	
Brown, Henry L.		McCarthy, Jeremiah J.	
Burrington, Lester L.		Mead, Edward C.	
Chandler, Leonard B.		Mills, Charles P.	
Chase, Henry L.		Munroe, John P.	
Clerke, Charles S.		Myers, James J.	
Cluer, Arthur H.		Neal, David	
Cole, Samuel		Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.	
Cook, Clifford A.		Puffer, Herbert C.	
Coolidge, Daniel S.		Ramsdell, Charles H.	
Crosby, Aaron S.		Robinson, Lewis D.	
Crosby, J. Howell		Ross, Leonard W.	
Crouch, Charles S.		Sands, Edward P.	
Davenport, William A.		Saunders, Charles R.	
Dean, Benjamin C.		Schofield, William	
Drake, Frederic P.		Seavey, James F.	
Dudley, George J.		Selfridge, George S.	
Dumond, John B.		Sheppard, Eben W.	
Dyer, George N.		Spooner, Wallace	
Farwell, Frederick W.		Stalker, Hugh L.	
Fisher, George E.		Stone, Silas A.	
Gilpatric, Fred C.		Tolman, William	
Green, Thomas H.		Turner, Henry E.	
Harlow, Franklin P.		Turtle, William	
Harwood, Herbert J.		Twombly, Horatio F.	
Haskins, Leander M.		Upson, Charles H.	
Hawes, Martin E.		Wentworth, Edward E.	
Hayes, William H. I.		Whipple, John J.	
Hooper, Franklin K.		White, Horace C.	
Horton, Henry T.		Williams, George F.	
Howland, Willard			

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NAYS.

Messrs. Balcom, George	Messrs. King, Charles F.
Battles, David W.	Lanergan, John P.
Blood, Charles H.	Leland, Francis
Bresnahan, Hugh W.	Leslie, George F.
Bridgeo, William	Litchfield, James A.
Brigham, William M.	Lockhart, Alexander
Brooks, Charles C.	Lomasney, Martin M.
Bugbee, Nelson A.	Love, Joseph P.
Carey, James F.	Lowe, John H.
Corey, Charles V.	Luce, Robert
Cullinane, Richard	Mackey, Thomas
Daly, William	Mahoney, David A.
Davis, William R.	Mahony, Frederick C.
Dean, Charles A.	Marchesseault, Eugene D.
Donovan, Eugene E.	Mellen, James H.
Donovan, James H.	Minihan, Cornelius
Dooling, Thomas J.	Minton, John M.
Douglass, John J.	Montgomery, James A.
Eddy, Curtis	Morrison, Andrew H.
Estes, Eugene B.	Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
Francis, Frank W.	Queeney, James H.
Gartland, John J., Jr.	Ray, Albert H.
Hagberg, John G.	Reed, Silas D.
Hancock, Portus B.	Salter, William R.
Harvie, Robert B.	Scates, Louis M.
Hopewell, William	Severance, Joseph C.
Howard, Robert	Sullivan, Michael J.
Hunt, James	Sullivan, Timothy F.
Jones, Michael B.	Tatman, Charles T.
Kane, Daniel J.	Toomey, John J.
Kavanaugh, John E.	Varney, George E.
Keyou, Nicholas B.	

69 yeas ; 63 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Porter, Thomas F. *	Messrs. Dillon, Thomas J.
Campbell, Andrew	Flanagan, John J. *
Ellsworth, J. Lewis *	Ainsworth, Wilfred
Shaw, Nathan W.	Rounseville, Albert *
Folsom, Albert T.	McLoughlin, William I. *
Carleton, George H.	Pike, William T. *
Odlin, William	Whelan, John B. *

* Present.

YEAS.

Messrs. Smith, Charles F. A.
Haywood, Charles E.*
Trow, Charles E.
Powers, John A.*
Dalton, J. Frank*
Sprague, Eugene H.*
Crosby, Alfred R.*
Willard, Edward E.*
Simmons, Arthur A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Johnson, Charles R.*
Bleiler, John
Ross, Samuel*
Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
Donovan, Michael J.
Kells, William, Jr.
Fitzgerald, William T. A.
Donovan, Edward J.
Donahue, Thomas*

* Present.

The Bill relative to injuries upon or about railroads and railways (House, No. 544) was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and the roll being called the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read "Bill relative to injuries received upon or about railroads and railways."

The vote was 54 yeas to 50 nays, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Balcom, George
Blood, Charles H.
Bresnahan, Hugh W.
Bridgeo, William
Brigham, William M.
Brooks, Charles C.
Carey, James F.
Corey, Charles V.
Cullinane, Richard
Daly, William
Dean, Charles A.
Donovan, Eugene E.
Donovan, James H.
Dooling, Thomas J.
Dyer, George N.
Eddy, Curtis
Estes, Eugene B.
Fitzgerald, William T. A.
Francis, Frank W.
Gaddis, Michael E.

Messrs. Gartland, John J., Jr.
Green, Thomas H.
Hagberg, John G.
Hancock, Portus B.
Harvie, Robert B.
Hawes, Martin E.
Hopewell, William
Hunt, James
Johnson, Charles R.
Kane, Daniel J.
Kells, William, Jr.
Keyou, Nicholas B.
King, Charles F.
Lanergan, John P.
Leslie, George F.
Lomasney, Martin M.
Luce, Robert
Mahoney, David A.
Mahony, Frederick C.
Marchesseault, Eugene D.

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Messrs. Marden, William H.	Messrs. Prindle, John F.
Mellen, James H.	Queeney, James H.
Minihan, Cornelius	Ray, Albert H.
Montgomery, James A.	Salter, William R.
Neal, David	Scates, Louis M.
Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.	Toomey, John J.
Pike, William T.	Twombly, Horatio F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bartlett, Edwin	Messrs. Litchfield, James A.
Battles, David W.	Litchfield, William C.
Briggs, Clarence A.	Lombard, Edward M.
Burrington, Lester L.	McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
Chandler, Leonard B.	Mills, Charles P.
Chase, Henry L.	Moore, James S.
Cluer, Arthur H.	Munroe, John P.
Cole, Samuel	Myers, James J.
Coolidge, Daniel S.	Puffer, Herbert C.
Crosby, J. Howell	Ramsdell, Charles H.
Crouch, Charles S.	Robinson, Lewis D.
Dalton, J. Frank	Rounseville, Albert
Dean, Benjamin C.	Sands, Edward P.
Ellsworth, J. Lewis	Selfridge, George S.
Fisher, George E.	Sheppard, Eben W.
Folsom, Albert T.	Smith, Charles F. A.
Harlow, Franklin P.	Spooner, Wallace
Hayes, William H. I.	Stalker, Hugh L.
Haywood, Charles E.	Stone, Silas A.
Horton, Henry T.	Tatman, Charles T.
Howland, Willard	Tolman, William
Huntress, Franklin E.	Turtle, William
Kyle, William S.	Upson, Charles H.
Langford, John T.	Wentworth, Edward E.
Leland, Francis	White, Horace C.

54 yeas ; 50 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Bugbee, Nelson A.*
 Sullivan, Timothy F.*
 Dillon, Thomas J.
 Flanagan, John J.*
 Donahue, Thomas
 Lowe, John H.
 McLoughlin, William I.*

NAYS.

Messrs. Ames, Butler
 Haskins, Leander M.
 Porter, Thomas F.*
 Campbell, Andrew
 Schofield, William*
 Turner, Henry E.*
 Seavey, James F.

* Present.

YEAS.

NAYS.

Messrs. Sullivan, Michael J.	Messrs. Crosby, Aaron S.*
McCarthy, Jeremiah F.*	Harwood, George F.
Mackey, Thomas	Drake, Frederic P.*
Donovan, Michael J.	Gilpatric, Fred C.*
Twomey, Edmund J.	Bullock, William J.*
Ross, Samuel*	Trow, Charles E.
Whelan, John B.*	Odlin, William
Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d	Powers, John A.*
Murphy, Mortimer D.A.*	Simmons, Arthur A.
Grant, Oliver S.	Davis, William R.*
Kavanaugh, John E.*	Newton, H. Huestis
McIsaac, Daniel V.	Sprague, Eugene H.*
Donovan, Edward J.	Willard, Edward E.*
Reed, Silas D.	Crosby, Alfred R.*
Harwood, Herbert J.	Saunders, Charles R.*
Douglass, John J.	Brown, Henry L.*

* Present.

At twenty-five minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 12, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at ten o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by Reverend William C. Litchfield of Middleborough, a member of the House.

Petition Presented.

Harold W.
Simonds and
Francis W.
Sprague, 2d.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition of Harold W. Simonds and Francis W. Sprague, 2d, for legislation to reimburse them for certain money paid to Elijah George, register of insolvency, and by him, through error, to the treasurer of the Commonwealth. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence:—

Committee on
Military Affairs,
— reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Military Affairs shall make final report on matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended until Wednesday, May 17.

Committee of
conference, —
trust companies.

A report of the committee of conference to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches relative to the House Bill to prohibit the unauthorized transaction of business under the name of a trust company (House, No. 884), recommending that, instead of the amendments adopted by the Senate (in the adoption of which amendments the House had non-concurred), the following amendment be adopted: In section 2, strike out the word "May," in line 2, as printed, and insert in place thereof the word "October," — accepted by the Senate, was read and was accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Henderson of Rowley.

Committee of
conference, —
compensation
of the Metro-
politan Park
Commis-
sioners.

The House Bill to provide compensation for the Metropolitan Park Commissioners (House, No. 1097) came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendments.

On motion of Mr. Simmons of Grafton, the House insisted on its non-concurrence and asked for a committee

of conference. Messrs. Porter of Lynn, Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston and Newton of Everett were appointed the committee on the part of the House, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

House bills :

Relative to fraternal beneficiary corporations (House, No. 1118) (its title having been changed by the Senate); Fraternal beneficiary corporations.
and

To provide for the extension of Atlantic avenue, formerly Cove street, in the city of Boston (House, No. 1124); City of Boston, — Cove street.

Severally came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question, in each case, being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of Marcus M. Aldrich and others for an act of incorporation as the Swan Dale Cemetery Association. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1185) was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary and sent up for concurrence. Swan Dale Cemetery Association.

By Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, from the committee of conference to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill to prevent coercion of employees (House, No. 565), that they are unable to agree. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Mills of Newburyport, and sent up for concurrence. Committee of conference, — coercion of employees.

By Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, from the committee on Counties, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) to amend a resolve of the current year granting a county tax for the county of Worcester (printed as Senate, No. 325) ought to pass. County of Worcester, — county tax.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) to amend a resolve of the current year granting a county tax for the county of Hampden (printed as Senate, No. 329) ought to pass. County of Hampden, — county tax.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Metropolitan
Park Commis-
sion, — general
expenditures.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to increase the amount of money to be placed at the disposal of the Metropolitan Park Commission for general purposes ought to pass. (House, No. 1187.)

Metropolitan
Park Commis-
sion, — road-
ways and boule-
vards.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, from the same committee, that the Bill to increase the amount of money to be placed at the disposal of the Metropolitan Park Commission for the construction of roadways and boulevards ought to pass. (House, No. 1186.)

Soldiers and
sailors, —
historical
works.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the same committee, that the Bill to authorize the purchase of historical works relative to the services of Massachusetts volunteers during the Spanish war (Senate, No. 290) ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to military aid ;

To revise the charter of the city of Fall River ;

Relative to notices of petitions to the Supreme Judicial Court for the construction of wills ; and

To authorize the Worcester and Clinton Street Railway Company to carry the United States mail and to act as a common carrier of baggage and small parcels of merchandise ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 323) of the president of the common council of the city of Boston for legislation to authorize said council to compel the attendance of certain witnesses and obtain information from heads of departments in said city, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 494) of John Mason Little for an amendment of chapter

210 of the Acts of the year 1898 relative to the plotting and laying out of streets in the city of Boston ; and

(On the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 670) of Frank W. Estey for legislation relative to the construction of streets in the city of Boston ; and

Of the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 408) of Charles W. Parker and others for compensation for damages in the town of Princeton occasioned by the construction of the metropolitan water system ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the assumption of risks of danger by employees (House, No. 539) was rejected, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

Giving a right of action for personal injury or death (House, No. 449) ; and

Relative to evidence in actions for personal injuries and death (House, No. 450) ;

Were severally rejected, as recommended, in each case, by the committee on Probate and Insolvency, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the powers and duties of the Metropolitan Water Board and to the compensation for damages occasioned to the town of Clinton by the construction of the metropolitan water system (House, No. 841) was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

To establish the Wachusett Mountain State Reservation in the county of Worcester (Senate, No. 289) ; and

To provide for the better enforcement of the laws relative to the civil service (Senate, No. 322) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Making an appropriation for the employment of prisoners in making goods for the use of public institutions (House, No. 1157) ; and

Making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year and for certain other expenses authorized by law (House, No. 1182);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to examining boards for officers of the volunteer militia (Senate, No. 328) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to require railroad companies to equip their cars with platform gates (House, No. 649) was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield moved to amend section 1 by inserting before the word "passenger," in line 3, the word "or;" and by striking out, in the same line, the words "baggage, mail and express."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, the amendments were rejected and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the appointment of a committee to regulate and equalize the salaries of State and county officials (House, No. 1164) was considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Fitts of Somerville, was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

The Bill to extend civil service exemption to veterans of the war with Spain (Senate, No. 316) was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Hayes of Lowell moved to amend section 1 by inserting after the word "war," in lines 5 and 10, in each case, the words "or who has been in active service of the United States in the army or navy for five years," which amendments were adopted.

Mr. Davenport of Greenfield moved to amend by striking out section 2.

Mr. Marden of Stoneham moved to amend by inserting after section 2 the following new section: "*Section 3. Section three of said chapter is hereby amended by adding thereto the following words: 'provided, however, that in all such appointments or employment veterans of the war of the rebellion shall be preferred,' so as to read as follows: 'Sect. 3. Veterans may apply for appointment to or for employment in any position in the public service, classified as aforesaid, without examination. In such*

application such veteran shall state under oath such facts as may be required by the civil service rules. Age, loss of limb or other physical impairment, which shall not in fact incapacitate, shall not disqualify such veteran from appointment under this section. Appointing officers may by requisition call for the names of any or all such veterans so applying without examination, and appoint or employ any of them in the office or position sought: *provided, however*, that in all such appointments or employment veterans of the war of the rebellion shall be preferred.’’

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Ames of Lowell, the amendment moved by Mr. Davenport was rejected.

The amendment moved by Mr. Marden was adopted.

On the main question the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Ross of Boston, and the roll being called the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 127 yeas to 24 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.
Ainsworth, Wilfred
Ames, Butler
Andrews, David B.
Apsey, Albert S.
Balcom, George
Bennett, Frank P.
Boylston, Ward N.
Bresnahan, Hugh W.
Bridgeo, William
Brigham, William M.
Brooks, Charles C.
Brown, Henry L.
Bullock, William J.
Carey, James F.
Chase, Henry L.
Clerke, Charles S.
Cole, Samuel
Conroy, Thomas A.
Conwell, Robert E.
Cook, Clifford A.
Coolidge, Daniel S.
Corey, Charles V.
Crosby, Aaron S.
Crosby, Alfred R.
Cullinane, Richard
Currier, Guy W.
Dalton, J. Frank

Messrs. Daly, William
Davenport, William A.
Dean, Charles A.
Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
Dillon, Thomas J.
Donahue, Thomas
Donovan, Edward J.
Donovan, James H.
Donovan, Michael J.
Dooling, Thomas J.
Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
Dyer, George N.
Ellsworth, J. Lewis
Estes, Eugene B.
Farwell, Frederick W.
Feiker, William H.
Fisher, George E.
Fitzgerald, William T. A.
Folsom, Albert T.
Francis, Frank W.
Gaddis, Michael E.
Gartland, John J., Jr.
Goulding, Albert M.
Green, Thomas H.
Hagberg, John G.
Hancock, Portus B.
Harlow, Franklin P.
Harriman, Charles H.

Messrs. Harvie, Robert B.

Harwood, George F.
 Hayes, William H. I.
 Henderson, Francis D.
 Hooper, Franklin K.
 Howard, Robert
 Huntress, Franklin E.
 Johnson, Charles R.
 Jones, Michael B.
 Kane, Daniel J.
 Kavanaugh, John E.
 Kells, William, Jr.
 Keyou, Nicholas B.
 King, Charles F.
 King, Randolph V.
 Kyle, William S.
 Lanergan, John P.
 Langford, John T.
 Litchfield, William C.
 Lomasney, Martin M.
 Lowe, John H.
 Mackey, Thomas
 Mahoney, David A.
 Mahony, Frederick C.
 Mansfield, Matthew M.
 Marchesseault, Eugene D.
 Marden, William H.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
 McLoughlin, William I.
 Mead, Edward C.
 Mellen, James H.
 Mills, Charles P.
 Minihan, Cornelius
 Minton, John M.
 Moore, James S.

Messrs. Morrison, Andrew H.

Neal, David
 Paton, Alexander S.
 Persons, Charles H.
 Pike, William T.
 Porter, Thomas F.
 Powers, John A.
 Prindle, John F.
 Puffer, Herbert C.
 Queeney, James H.
 Quigley, William J.
 Ramsdell, Charles H.
 Ray, Albert H.
 Reed, Silas D.
 Robinson, Lewis D.
 Russell, Arthur P.
 Scates, Louis M.
 Severance, Joseph C.
 Shaw, Nathan W.
 Simmons, Arthur A.
 Skinner, Henry R.
 Smith, Allen F.
 Stone, Silas A.
 Sullivan, Michael J.
 Sullivan, Timothy F.
 Tatman, Charles T.
 Toomey, John J.
 Trow, Charles E.
 Turtle, William
 Upson, Charles H.
 Watson, Walter S.
 Weston, Walter S.
 Whelan, John B.
 Willard, Edward E.
 Williams, George F.

NAYS.**Messrs. Bartlett, Edwin**

Cluer, Arthur H.
 Crosby, J. Howell
 Drake, Frederic P.
 Dudley, George J.
 Harwood, Herbert J.
 Heath, Guilford P.
 Howland, Willard
 Learoyd, Addison P.
 Leland, Francis
 Lockhart, Alexander
 Lombard, Edward M.

Messrs. Myers, James J.

Ross, Leonard W.
 Saunders, Charles R.
 Schofield, William
 Selfridge, George S.
 Spooner, Wallace
 Stalker, Hugh L.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Twombly, Horatio F.
 Wells, Abelard E.
 Wheeler, William D.
 White, Horace C.

127 yeas ; 24 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Grant, Oliver S.	Messrs. Munroe, John P.*
Litchfield, James A.*	Luce, Robert
Battles, David W.	Tolman, William*
Bugbee, Nelson A.*	Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.
Briggs, Clarence A.	Dean, Benjamin C.*
Love, Joseph P.	Burrington, Lester L.*
Toland, John I.	Newton, H. Huestis*

* Present.

The Bill to simplify the transfer of title to property (Senate, No. 265) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Selfridge of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to simplify the transfer of land " (House, No. 1167).

At one o'clock P.M., under the standing order, a recess was taken until two o'clock.

On the reassembling of the House the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Corey of Sturbridge.

The bill moved as a substitute by Mr. Selfridge was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection.

The House then refused to pass the bill to be engrossed, and notice of its rejection was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to abolish the contract system on public works (House, No. 337) was read a second time and considered.

Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence moved that it be postponed for consideration until Monday, which motion, after debate, was lost, by a vote of 30 to 62.

After further debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, the House refused to order the bill to a third reading, by a vote of 22 to 92, and notice of its rejection was sent to the Senate.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 322) of Martin M. Lomasney for legislation to authorize the city council of the city of Boston to examine witnesses in certain cases and obtain information from heads of departments in said city, was post-

poned for consideration until Monday, to be placed second in the orders of the day, on motion of Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, by a vote of 70 to 2.

The Bill relative to equitable process after judgment in certain cases (House, No. 1172) was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Myers of Cambridge.

The Bill relative to infectious diseases among domestic animals and to establish a new Board of Cattle Commissioners (Senate, No. 278) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Smith of Waltham moved to amend by inserting after section 23 the following new section: "*Section 24.* On and after the first day of September in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine no milk or cream shall be sold or offered for sale in this Commonwealth, other than that from cows which have been duly inspected and pronounced free from contagious disease to the satisfaction of the Board of Cattle Commissioners. Any milk or cream which is sold or offered for sale in this Commonwealth from cows which have not been duly inspected and pronounced free from contagious disease shall be seized by the Board of Cattle Commissioners and thrown away without appraisal or payment for the same. Said board shall make rules and regulations to carry out and enforce the provisions of this section."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Hunt of Worcester, the pending amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means was adopted.

The amendment moved by Mr. Smith was rejected and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 90 to 12.

The Bill to provide for the simplification of criminal pleadings (Senate, No. 314) was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering it to a third reading,

At half-past four o'clock, under the standing order, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, May 15, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past twelve o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Gilpatric of Boston, a Bill relative to the selling of ice. The bill having been read, the same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

By Mr. Harlow of Whitman, a Bill to legalize and confirm certain proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Whitman. The bill having been read, the same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Town of
Whitman, —
annual meeting.

By Mr. Rounseville of Rochester, a Bill relative to the Onset Fire District in the town of Wareham. The bill having been read, the same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Town of
Wareham, —
Onset Fire
District.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Resolve to authorize the purchase of portraits of governors of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1115) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Governors of
the Common-
wealth, —
portraits.

A Resolve (introduced on leave) in addition to a resolve to provide for building a practice school in connection with the State Normal School at Westfield (Senate, No. 335), referred by the Senate, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Education; and

State Normal
School at West-
field, — practice
school.

A petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 336) of George N. Tyner that the Holyoke Public Library may

Holyoke Public
Library.

be authorized to hold property to the amount of five hundred thousand dollars, referred by the Senate, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Libraries;

Were severally referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Notice was received of the rejection by the Senate of the following bills:—

Women and minors, — hours of labor.

Bill relative to the hours of labor of women and minors (House, No. 167);

City of Newburyport, — water commission.

Bill to transfer the duties of the water commission of the city of Newburyport to the city council of said city (House, No. 229);

Town of Arlington, — electric wires.

Bill to regulate and supervise electric wires in the town of Arlington (House, No. 812);

City of Worcester, — street watering.

Bill to provide for the assessment of a part of the expense of watering streets in the city of Worcester upon street railway companies (House, No. 1066);

Legacies, successions and other transfers, — taxation.

Bill to impose a tax on legacies, successions and certain other transfers and to provide for the distribution of the proceeds of the same (House, No. 1147);

City of Boston, — streets.

Bill (introduced on leave) to repeal chapter 210 of the Acts of the year 1898 relative to the plotting and laying out of streets in the city of Boston (House, No. 91); and

Cities, — death benefit and retirement funds for employees.

Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize cities to establish death benefit and retirement funds for their employees (House, No. 421).

Street railway companies, — enclosed platforms on cars.

Also that the House Bill to require street railway companies to enclose the platforms of cars during certain months of the year (House, No. 1130) had been referred by the Senate to the next General Court.

City of Boston, — Catherine C. Dodge.

Also that the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1133) of Jeremiah F. McCarthy for legislation to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to Catherine C. Dodge had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the Senate having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of said rule.

Reports of Committees.

City of Boston, — petitions for damages under the southern union station act.

By Mr. Blood of Fitchburg, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1146), a Bill to extend the time for filing petitions for the assessment of damages accruing from the location

and construction of railroads under the provisions of the act to provide for a union station for passengers on railroads entering the southerly part of the city of Boston. (House, No. 1190.) Read and ordered to a second reading, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Dean of Brookline, the bill was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of Mr. Dean.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the Onset Fire District in the town of Wareham. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Rounseville of Rochester, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill (House, No. 1191) was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Town of
Wareham, —
Onset Fire
District.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the selling of ice. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hayes, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill (House, No. 1192) was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Ice.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) to legalize and confirm certain proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Whitman. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill (House, No. 1193) was referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Town of
Whitman, —
annual meeting.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) to confirm and make valid the acts of the town of Melrose at its annual meeting in the current year. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill (House, No. 1194) was referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Town of
Melrose, —
annual meeting.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of Harold W. Simonds and Francis W. Sprague, 2d,

Harold W.
Simonds and
Francis W.
Sprague, 2d.

for legislation to reimburse them for certain money paid to Elijah George, register of insolvency, and by him, through error, to the treasurer of the Commonwealth. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 1195) was referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

State Normal
School at West-
field, — prac-
tice school.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the Resolve (introduced on leave) in addition to a resolve to provide for building a practice school in connection with the State Normal School at Westfield. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Judd of Holyoke, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the resolve (Senate, No. 335) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education.

Holyoke Pub-
lic Library.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the petition of George N. Tyner that the Holyoke Public Library may be authorized to hold property to the amount of \$500,000. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 336) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Libraries.

International
Exposition at
Paris.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the joint committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the International Exposition at Paris (Senate, No. 332) ought to pass. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

City of Boston,
— petitions for
damages under
the southern
union station
act.

On motion of Mr. Dean of Brookline, the petition of Oscar B. Mowry and others for legislation to extend the time for filing petitions for damages under the act to provide for a union station for passengers on railroads entering the southerly part of the city of Boston, was taken

from the table, and was referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House refusing to suspend said rule.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to State aid (which originated in the House) ; Bills enacted.
and

Relative to examining boards for officers of the volunteer militia (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of Norman Y. Brintnall Resolve passed.
(which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, the Resolve to amend a resolve of the current year granting a county tax for the county of Worcester (printed as Senate, No. 325) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the resolve was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of Mr. Wentworth. County of Worcester, — county tax.

On further motions of Mr. Wentworth, the Resolve to amend a resolve of the current year granting a county tax for the county of Hampden (printed as Senate, No. 329) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the resolve was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of Mr. Wentworth. County of Hampden, — county tax.

On motion of Mr. Myers of Cambridge, the Bill relative to an additional water supply for the Medfield Insane Asylum (House, No. 1183) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time. Medfield Insane Asylum, — water supply.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment in section 1, striking out after the word "land" in line 7, the word "of," and inserting in place thereof the word "in," which amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Myers of Cambridge, the bill was further amended in section 1 by striking out, in line 4, the word "four," and inserting in place thereof the word "five."

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

City of Boston,
— street car
tracks on
Boylston and
Tremont
streets.

On motions of Mr. Saunders of Boston, the Bill to authorize the replacing of street-car tracks on Boylston and Tremont streets in the city of Boston (House, No. 1002) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed second in the orders of the day, pending the question on concurring with the Senate in certain amendments.

City of Boston,
— Cove street.

On motions of Mr. Bresnahan of Boston, the Bill to provide for the extension of Atlantic avenue, formerly Cove street, in the city of Boston (House, No. 1124) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed third in the orders of the day, pending the question on concurring with the Senate in certain amendments.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
day.

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted, with accompanying bill, House, No. 505) of Richard Cullinane for legislation relative to the settlement of disputes between employers and employees ; and

Of the committee on Manufactures, to whom was referred the fourteenth annual report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (Pub. Doc. No. 35), that they have considered the bills recommended by the majority and minority of said commissioners relative to the consolidation of gas companies furnishing gas in the city of Boston and that it is inexpedient to legislate thereon ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendment to the House Bill relative to the taking of land by cities and towns (House, No. 1026), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendments to the House Bill relative to fraternal beneficiary corporations (House, No. 1118), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Bills :

Relative to the Fitchburg and Suburban Street Railway Company (House, No. 1166) ;

Making an appropriation for expenses in connection with the extermination of contagious diseases among horses, cattle and other animals (House, No. 1180) ;

To increase the amount of money to be placed at the disposal of the Metropolitan Park Commission for the construction of roadways and boulevards (House, No. 1186) ;

To increase the amount of money to be placed at the disposal of the Metropolitan Park Commission for general purposes (House, No. 1187) ;

To authorize the purchase of historical works relative to the services of Massachusetts volunteers during the Spanish war (Senate, No. 290) ;

Relative to the solemnization of marriages (Senate, No. 320) ; and

Relative to delaying service of warrants in criminal cases (Senate, No. 321) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of the widow of Franklin A. Gowen (House, No. 1155) ; and

Relative to the Pan-American Exposition (Senate, No. 323) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Resolves :

In favor of Annie H. Corson (House, No. 790) ; and

In favor of Rhoda Rosella Grant (House, No. 1177) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To provide for an additional assistant clerk of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 313) ;

To provide for the better enforcement of the laws relative to the civil service (Senate, No. 322) ; and

Relative to Stony Brook in the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 637) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the simplification of criminal pleadings (Senate, No. 314), being the unfinished business of Friday last, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to regulate the privileges of persons demanding interviews with employees (House, No. 371) was considered, and after debate was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Labor, by a vote of 62 to 34, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 322) of Martin M. Lomasney for legislation to authorize the city council of the city of Boston to examine witnesses in certain cases and obtain information from heads of departments in said city, was considered.

Mr. Brigham of Marlborough moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to enable the city council of the city of Boston to obtain information in certain cases " (House, No. 1189).

Pending the amendment and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston moved that it be recommitted, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, which motion was lost.

After debate the bill was substituted, and having been read was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill relative to the construction of a boulevard from the town of Dedham to the Stony Brook Reservation in the town of Hyde Park (House, No. 1163) was read a third time.

Mr. Neal of Dedham moved to amend section 1 by inserting after the word " court," in line 19, the words " not later than the fifteenth day of January."

The amendment was adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the seal and coat of arms of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 319) was read a third time.

Mr. Simmons of Grafton moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 1188).

Mr. Dean of Brookline moved to amend section 1 of the bill moved as a substitute by inserting after the word "Commonwealth," in line 3, the words "as adopted and declared official by chapter five hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight;" and by adding at the end of the section the words "Whoever violates the provisions of this act shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Fitts of Somerville, the amendments to the amendment were rejected, the bill moved as a substitute was rejected, the House refused to pass the bill to be engrossed and notice of its rejection was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relative to the employment of minors (printed as Senate, No. 117) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 72 to 32, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the transportation of the bicycles of passengers as baggage (House, No. 592) was read a third time, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Keyou of Medford, was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 99 to 47, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the finances of the city of Boston (House, No. 1169) was read a second time, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Skinner of Watertown, was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 118 to 19.

The report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 517) of Roswell S. Barrows for legislation relative to the plotting and laying out of streets in the city of Boston, was considered.

Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, Mr. King of Boston moved that it be laid on the table, which motion was lost.

The report was then accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize sheriffs and constables to store property removed by them from premises in the service of executions (House, No. 697) was read a third time, and pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Stone of Springfield.

The Bill to regulate the width of tires on draught wagons (Senate, No. 302) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the substitution of a bill with a similar title (House, No. 1184).

On motion of Mr. Reed of Taunton, the bill recommended as a substitute was amended by striking out section 3.

The bill recommended as a substitute by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, as amended, was then substituted and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate Simmons Female College (House, No. 1171) was read a third time, and after debate was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 81 to 6, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to establish the Wachusett Mountain State Reservation in the county of Worcester (Senate, No. 289) was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, Mr. Hooper of Manchester moved that it be postponed for consideration until Friday next, which motion was lost.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to extend civil service exemption to veterans of the war with Spain (Senate, No. 316) was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, Mr. Myers of Cambridge moved that it be postponed for consideration until to-morrow, which motion, after debate, was lost.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and was sent up for concurrence in the amendments previously adopted by the House.

The Bill relative to infectious diseases among domestic

animals and to establish a new board of Cattle Commissioners (Senate, No. 278) was read a third time.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending an amendment in section 1, striking out, in line 19, the words "thirtieth day of September," and inserting in place thereof the words "thirty-first day of May," which amendment was adopted.

Mr. Hayes of Lowell moved to amend by inserting after section 45 the following new section: "*Section 46.* No expenses shall be incurred and no money expended under this act in excess of the appropriations made therefor."

The amendment was adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and was sent up for concurrence in the amendments adopted by the House.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Dover, at eight minutes past four o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 16, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at ten o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Introduced on Leave.*Town of
Abington, —
special meeting.

By Mr. Harlow of Whitman, a Bill to legalize and confirm the proceedings of a special meeting of the town of Abington. The bill having been read, the same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

*Papers from the Senate.*Berkshire and
Canaan Street
Railway Com-
pany.

A Bill to incorporate the Berkshire and Canaan Street Railway Company (Senate, No. 333) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, House, No. 1064), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Arlington Mills.

A petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 338) of George A. Nickerson and others for legislation to incorporate the Arlington Mills, referred by the Senate, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs; and

City of
Taunton, —
water supply
for town of
Raynham.

A petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 339) of the trustees of the Taunton Insane Hospital and the selectmen of the town of Raynham and others that the city of Taunton may be authorized to supply water in a certain part of said town, referred by the Senate, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Water Supply;

Were severally referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

*Reports of Committees.*Militia, —
highway and
sidewalk at
muster-field in
Framingham.

By Mr. Paton of Leominster, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill (recommitted) to provide for the construction of a highway and sidewalk over land of the Commonwealth at the State muster-field in the town

of Framingham (House, No. 1096) be referred to the next General Court. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the reference of the bill to the next General Court.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the committee on Ways and Means, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the improvement of Green Harbor in the town of Marshfield. (House, No. 1198.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Judd of Holyoke, from the committee on Education, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) in addition to a resolve to provide for building a practice school in connection with the State Normal School at Westfield (printed as Senate, No. 335) ought to pass. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

State Normal School at Westfield, — practice school.

Motions to Take from the Table.

Mr. Fitts of Somerville moved to take from the table the report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 818) of Willard Howland for legislation to authorize the construction of a canal across Cape Cod by convict labor, which motion, after debate, was lost, by a vote of 16 to 69.

Cape Cod, — construction of a canal by convict labor.

Mr. Adams of Melrose moved to take from the table the report of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 604) of Henry Abrahams for legislation to exempt labor organizations from certain provisions of the law relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations, which motion, after debate, was lost, by a vote of 43 to 73.

Fraternal beneficiary organizations, — labor organizations.

The same gentleman moved to take from the table the Bill relative to the board of estimate and apportionment of the city of Boston (House, No. 1131), which motion, after debate, was lost.

City of Boston, — board of estimate and apportionment.

The same gentleman moved to take from the table the Bill to permit boating and fishing on the ponds and reservoirs of the metropolitan water system (House, No. 137), which motion, after debate, was lost.

Metropolitan water system, — boating and fishing on ponds and reservoirs.

Taken from the Table.

City of Boston,
— grade cross-
ings.

On motions of Mr. Hayes of Lowell, the report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 729) of Josiah Quincy for legislation relative to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Boston, was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Fraternal bene-
ficiary organiza-
tions.

On further motions of the same gentleman, the Bill relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations (House, No. 630) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Insurance.

Labor, —
women and
minors.

On further motions of the same gentleman, the Bill relative to the hours of labor of women and minors (House, No. 126) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Labor.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Donahue of Fall River, the vote whereby the bill was postponed for consideration until to-morrow was reconsidered, and on further motion of the same gentleman, it was postponed for consideration until Thursday, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

City of Boston,
— Cove street.

On further motions of Mr. Hayes, the Bill relative to the extension of Cove street in the city of Boston (House, No. 533) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Taxation, —
legacies, suc-
cessions and
other transfers.

On further motions of the same gentleman, the Bill imposing a tax on legacies, successions and certain other transfers and providing for the distribution of the proceeds of the same (House, No. 519) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day, pending the question on its reference to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Taxation.

On further motions of the same gentleman, the bills :

To authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to grant locations to street railway companies (House, No. 1001) ; and

Street railway companies, — locations in parks and parkways.

Relative to equitable process after judgment in certain cases (House, No. 1172) ;

Equitable process after judgment.

Were severally taken from the table and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day, pending the question, in each case, on ordering the bill to a third reading.

On further motions of the same gentleman, the Bill to enlarge the powers of the Boston Letter Carriers' Mutual Benefit Association (Senate, No. 195) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day, pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Boston Letter Carriers' Mutual Benefit Association.

On further motions of the same gentleman, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on April 14, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, the Bill relative to the use of streets by corporations (Senate, No. 200) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Corporations, — use of streets.

On further motions of the same gentleman, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on April 20, rejected, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the Bill to provide for the equalization of tax burdens (House, No. 598) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Tax burdens, — equalization.

On further motions of the same gentleman, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on May 8, accepted the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 579) of William A. Munroe for further legislation relative to suits to quiet the title of real estate, was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Real estate, — quieting of titles.

On further motion of the same gentleman, the opinion of the Attorney-General, in response to an order of the House of Representatives as to whether the provisions of

Opinion of the Attorney-General, — consolidation of gas companies in

the city of
Boston.

a proposed act for the consolidation of certain gas companies in the city of Boston are constitutional and can be enforced in law and equity, also whether a law requiring two or more gas companies to consolidate without the consent of such companies can be enforced in law and equity (House, No. 1140), was taken from the table and was placed on file.

Connecticut
River, — new
bridge between
Springfield and
West Spring-
field.

On motions of Mr. Stone of Springfield, the Bill to provide for the construction of a new bridge across the Connecticut River between the city of Springfield and the town of West Springfield (House, No. 1116) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading.

Real estate, —
partial pay-
ments of taxes.

On motions of Mr. Adams of Melrose, the report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 360) of the mayor of the city of Lynn for legislation to authorize cities and towns to receive partial payments of taxes on undivided pieces of real estate, was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Metropolitan
Sewerage Com-
missioners, —
high-level
gravity sewer
for Charles and
Neponset River
valleys.

On further motions of the same gentleman, the Bill to provide for the construction of a high-level gravity sewer for the relief of the Charles and Neponset River valleys (House, No. 1085) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading.

George
Dunbar.

On motions of Mr. Fitts of Somerville, the Resolve in favor of George Dunbar (House, No. 711) was taken from the table and postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

City of Boston,
— height of
buildings on
Beacon Hill.

On further motion of the same gentleman, the report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 681) of Anna Cabot Lodge and others for legislation to limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston, was taken from the table.

Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, Mr. Schofield of Malden moved that it be postponed for consideration until Friday next, to be placed in the orders of the day, which motion, after debate, was lost.

On motion of Mr. Sands of Boston, the report was postponed for consideration until Thursday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, the report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 21) of George A. Wheeler and others that the salary of the district attorney of the South-eastern District may be increased, was taken from the table.

South-eastern District, — salary of district attorney.

Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, Mr. Whipple of Brockton moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to establish the salary of the district attorney for the South-eastern District" (printed as Senate, No. 21), which was read and substituted and was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Counties on the part of the House.

On further motion of Mr. McCarthy, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on April 24, referred to the next General Court, as amended, the Bill to authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to construct a bridge across the Mystic River between the city of Somerville and that part of the city of Medford known as Wellington (House, No. 281) was taken from the table, and was postponed for consideration until Thursday next, on motion of Mr. Schofield of Malden.

Metropolitan Park Commissioners, — bridge over Mystic River between Somerville and Medford.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Whipple of Brockton moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, concurred with the Senate in certain amendments to the House Bill relative to fraternal beneficiary corporations (House, No. 1118), which motion, after debate, was adopted.

Fraternal beneficiary corporations.

On the recurring question the House refused to concur with the Senate in the amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted. Engrossed bills :
 Relative to the Boston Transit Commission ;
 Relative to the construction and repair of State highways ;
 (Which severally originated in the House) ;
 Relative to Stony Brook in the city of Boston ;
 To provide for an additional assistant clerk of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Suffolk ;
 To provide for the better enforcement of the laws relative to the civil service ; and
 To establish the Wachusett Mountain State Reservation in the county of Worcester ;
 (Which severally originated in the Senate) ;
 Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed. An engrossed Resolve in favor of the widow of Joseph Conneton (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed Bill Recommitted.

Engrossed bill recommitted, — trust companies. An engrossed Bill to prohibit the unauthorized transaction of business under the name of a trust company (which originated in the House) was put upon its final passage.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be enacted, Mr. Henderson of Rowley moved that it be recommitted to the committee on Banks and Banking, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule. After debate the rule was suspended, by a vote of 65 to 26, the bill was recommitted and was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day. The Bill to enable the city council of the city of Boston to obtain information in certain cases (House, No. 1189) ; and

The Resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the International Exposition at Paris (printed as Senate, No. 332) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relative to the Fitchburg and Suburban Street Railway Company (House, No. 1166) ;

Relative to the finances of the city of Boston (House, No. 1169) ;

To increase the amount of money to be placed at the disposal of the Metropolitan Park Commission for the construction of roadways and boulevards (House, No. 1186) ; and

To increase the amount of money to be placed at the disposal of the Metropolitan Park Commission for general purposes (House, No. 1187) ; and

The Resolve in favor of the widow of Franklin A. Gowen (House, No. 1155) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the purchase of historical works relative to the services of Massachusetts volunteers during the Spanish war (Senate, No. 290) ;

To provide for the simplification of criminal pleadings (Senate, No. 314) ; and

Relative to delaying service of warrants in criminal cases (Senate, No. 321) ; and

The Resolve relative to the Pan-American Exposition (Senate, No. 323) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to protect public parks, parkways and boulevards from disfigurement (House, No. 132) was considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Hawes of Weymouth, the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary, was negatived, by a vote of 63 to 76, and it was placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow for a second reading.

The Bill to authorize the replacing of street-car tracks on Boylston and Tremont streets in the city of Boston (House, No. 1002) was taken up.

Pending the question on concurring with the Senate in certain amendments, Mr. Saunders of Boston moved that the bill be postponed, to be specially assigned for two

o'clock P.M., which motion, after debate, was lost, by a vote of 59 to 67.

The same gentleman moved to amend the amendment to section 3 by striking out the words "which ought to have been run through the subway, in the proper use thereof under said contract, or which are in substitution for any cars which ought to have been so run, if the locations hereby provided for had not been granted."

After debate the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Saunders, and the roll being called the amendment was rejected, by a vote of 80 yeas to 91 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Andrews, David B.
 Bartlett, Edwin
 Blood, Charles H.
 Bridgeo, William
 Briggs, Clarence A.
 Brooks, Charles C.
 Brown, Willard M.
 Bugbee, Nelson A.
 Burgess, Albert H.
 Burrington, Lester L.
 Carleton, George H.
 Chapple, William D.
 Chase, Henry L.
 Cole, Samuel
 Corey, Charles V.
 Crosby, Alfred R.
 Currier, Guy W.
 Daly, William
 Davis, Daniel W.
 Dean, Charles A.
 Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
 Dudley, George J.
 Ellsworth, J. Lewis
 Estes, Eugene B.
 Hancock, Portus B.
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Harvell, Elisha T.
 Haywood, Charles E.
 Heath, Guilford P.
 Hooper, Franklin K.
 Hopewell, William
 Horton, Henry T.
 Hunt, James
 Kavanaugh, John E.
 Keith, Charles P.

Messrs. King, Charles F.
 Kyle, William S.
 Learoyd, Addison P.
 Leland, Francis
 Leslie, George F.
 Lockhart, Alexander
 Lombard, Edward M.
 Lowe, John H.
 Mansfield, Matthew M.
 Marchant, Charles S.
 Marchesseault, Eugene D.
 McLoughlin, William I.
 Mead, Edward C.
 Miller, Calvin S.
 Mills, Charles P.
 Morse, Merrick A.
 Munroe, John P.
 Murphy, Mortimer D.A.
 Neal, David
 Pike, William T.
 Porter, Thomas F.
 Prindle, John F.
 Puffer, Herbert C.
 Ray, Albert H.
 Rounseville, Albert
 Sands, Edward P.
 Saunders, Charles R.
 Scates, Louis M.
 Selfridge, George S.
 Severance, Joseph C.
 Sheppard, Eben W.
 Simmons, Arthur A.
 Skillings, William E.
 Smith, Allen F.
 Smith, Charles G.

Messrs. Spooner, Wallace
Stone, Willmore B.
Turtle, William
Upson, Charles H.
Varney, George E.

Messrs. Wallace, S. Ives
Wentworth, Edward E.
Wheeler, William D.
Willard, Edward E.
Williams, George F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.
Adams, Charles H.
Ainsworth, Wilfred
Ames, Butler
Apsey, Albert S.
Balcom, George
Bennett, Frank P.
Bleiler, John
Boylston, Ward N.
Bresnahan, Hugh W.
Brown, Henry L.
Bullock, William J.
Chadwick, N. Henry
Chandler, Leonard B.
Clerke, Charles S.
Conwell, Robert E.
Coolidge, Daniel S.
Crosby, Aaron S.
Crosby, J. Howell
Cullinane, Richard
Dalton, J. Frank
Davis, William R.
Dean, Benjamin C.
Dean, George Z.
Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
Dillon, Thomas J.
Donahue, Thomas
Donovan, Edward J.
Donovan, Eugene E.
Donovan, James H.
Donovan, Michael J.
Dooling, Thomas J.
Douglass, John J.
Dumond, John B.
Farwell, Frederick W.
Fisher, George E.
Fitzgerald, William T. A.
Folsom, Albert T.
Foster, Frank A.
Gaddis, Michael E.
Gartland, John J., Jr.
Green, Thomas H.

Messrs. Harlow, Franklin P.
Harvie, Robert B.
Harwood, George F.
Hawes, Martin E.
Hayes, William H. I.
Henderson, Francis D.
Howard, Robert
Howland, Charles W.
Huntress, Franklin E.
Jones, Michael B.
Kells, William, Jr.
King, Randolph V.
Lanergan, John P.
Litchfield, James A.
Litchfield, William C.
Lomasney, Martin M.
Luce, Robert
Mahoney, David A.
Mahony, Frederick C.
McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
McIsaac, Daniel V.
Mellen, James H.
Minihan, Cornelius
Montgomery, James A.
Morrison, Andrew H.
Newton, H. Huestis
Odlin, William
Queeney, James H.
Ramsdell, Charles H.
Ross, Leonard W.
Russell, Arthur P.
Schofield, William
Shaw, Nathan W.
Skinner, Henry R.
Smith, Charles F. A.
Sparks, John T.
Stalker, Hugh L.
Stanley, Benjamin F.
Stone, Silas A.
Sullivan, Michael J.
Sullivan, Timothy F.

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Turner, Henry E.	Whipple, John J.
Twomey, Edmund J.	Wood, Alva S.
Watson, Walter S.	

80 yeas ; 91 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Carey, James F.*	Messrs. Marden, William H.
Twombly, Horatio F.	Wells, Abelard E.*
Keyou, Nicholas B.*	Fitts, Frank E.
Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.*	Toland, John I.
Swift, William S.*	Root, Albert B.
Robinson, Lewis D.	Reed, Silas D.*
Feiker, William H.*	Mackey, Thomas
Judd, William E.*	Harwood, Herbert J.
Eddy, Curtis *	Kane, Daniel J.
Salter, William R.*	Langford, John T.
Tatman, Charles T.*	Minton, John M.
Campbell, Andrew	White, Horace C.*
Goulding, Albert M.	Tolman, William *
Sprague, Eugene H.*	Seavey, James F.
Quigley, William J.	Paton, Alexander S.*
Battles, David W.*	Trow, Charles E.
Love, Joseph P.*	Sisson, Robert S.
Gilpatric, Fred C.	Brigham, William M.*
Myers, James J.*	Andrews, Richard F., Jr.

* Present.

The House then concurred with the Senate in its amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill to provide for the extension of Atlantic avenue, formerly Cove street, in the city of Boston (House, No. 1124) was considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, the House refused to concur with the Senate in its amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill to authorize sheriffs and constables to store property removed by them from premises in the service of executions (House, No. 697) was taken up, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Stone of Springfield moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with a similar title (House, No. 1196), which was read and substituted and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve to authorize the purchase of portraits of governors of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1115) was considered, and after debate, at one o'clock P.M., under the standing order, the House took a recess until two o'clock.

On reassembling the House refused to concur with the Senate in its amendments, and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill making an appropriation for expenses in connection with the extermination of contagious diseases among horses, cattle and other animals (House, No. 1180) was read a third time.

Mr. Cluer of Lowell moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in line 1, the word "seventy-five," and inserting in place thereof the word "twenty-five."

Mr. Bennett of Saugus asked for a count of the House to ascertain if a quorum was present. It appeared from a count that 82 members were present.

On motion of Mr. Adams of Melrose, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

On the appearance of a quorum, Mr. Dean of Wakefield moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in line 1, the word "seventy-five," and inserting in place thereof the word "fifty."

The question was put on allowing the word "seventy-five" to remain in the bill, which was adopted, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Newton of Everett, at twelve minutes past three o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 17, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at ten o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by Reverend Charles P. Mills of Newburyport, a member of the House.

Introduced on Leave.

Adjutant-General, —
report for 1898.

By Mr. Battles of Brockton, a Resolve to provide for printing additional copies of the report of the Adjutant-General for the year 1898. The resolve having been read, Mr. Campbell of Westfield moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

City of
Worcester, —
water loan.

A Bill to authorize the city of Worcester to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 326) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

County of
Suffolk, — S.
Alice Osborne.

A Bill to authorize the county of Suffolk to pay a sum of money to S. Alice Osborne (printed as House, No. 858) (introduced on leave in the House), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Allowance to
families of per-
sons killed or
injured while
doing fire duty.

A Bill to provide for the payment of an allowance to families of certain persons not firemen but who are killed or fatally injured while doing fire duty (Senate, No. 16) (reported on a petition) [Mr. Davenport of Greenfield, of the House, dissenting], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Committee of
conference, —
compensation
for the Metro-
politan Park
Commissioners.

The House Bill to provide compensation for the Metropolitan Park Commissioners (House, No. 1097) came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendments, concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference, and that Messrs. Putnam, Fairbank and Joy had been appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve in addition to a resolve to provide for building a practice school in connection with the State Normal School at Westfield (printed as Senate, No. 335) ought to pass. On motions of Mr. Judd of Holyoke, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

State Normal
School at West-
field, — practice
school.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended, on the Bill (introduced on leave) to legalize and confirm the proceedings of a special meeting of the town of Abington. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill (House, No. 1199) was referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency and sent up for concurrence.

Town of
Abington, —
special meeting.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 338) of George A. Nickerson and others for legislation to incorporate the Arlington Mills.

Arlington Mills.

The same gentleman moved a suspension of the rule requiring the report to be placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, which motion, after debate, was adopted, by a vote of 42 to 12.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 77 members were present.

On motion of Mr. Adams of Melrose, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

On the appearance of a quorum the question was again put, and the rule was suspended, by a vote of 81 to 24.

After debate, pending the question on concurring with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule, the petition was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston.

Metropolitan
Park Commission, — Helen L.
Butterfield.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee on Ways and Means, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 806) of Helen L. Butterfield for legislation to provide for the payment of certain damages growing out of takings of the Metropolitan Park Commission. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Forest survey.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve (recommitted) to provide for the survey of forest lands and waste unused areas of the Commonwealth (printed as House, No. 124) ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the resolve.

City of
Worcester, —
assessments on
property of
the Common-
wealth.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill relative to sewer and other assessments upon land of the Commonwealth in Worcester (Senate, No. 253) ought to pass, in the form of a resolve, with the title "Resolve to authorize the payment of sewer assessments and street watering assessments on property of the Commonwealth in the city of Worcester." (House, No. 412.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

Town of
Leominster, —
water supply
for Lunenburg.

By Mr. Langford of Newton, from the committee on Water Supply, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize the town of Leominster to supply the inhabitants of the town of Lunenburg with water (House, No. 1065) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
records.

By Mr. Marden of Stoneham, from the committee on Military Affairs, on petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 787), a Bill to provide for the publication of a record of Massachusetts troops and officers, sailors and marines in the war of the rebellion. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bill Enacted.

Bill enacted.

An engrossed Bill relative to the taking of land by cities and towns (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 729) of Josiah Quincy for legislation relative to the abolition of grade crossings in the city of Boston, was accepted and sent up for concurrence. Orders of the day.

The Bill relative to the extension of Cove street in the city of Boston (House, No. 533) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to provide for the construction of a highway and sidewalk over land of the Commonwealth at the State muster-field in the town of Framingham (House, No. 1096) was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

The Bill making an appropriation for the improvement of Green Harbor in the town of Marshfield (House, No. 1198) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the International Exposition at Paris (printed as Senate, No. 332) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the solemnization of marriages (Senate, No. 320) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to enlarge the powers of the Boston Letter Carriers' Mutual Benefit Association (Senate, No. 195) was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Kyle of Plymouth, pending the question on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations (House, No. 630) was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Luce of Somerville, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Insurance.

The Bill imposing a tax on legacies, successions and certain other transfers and providing for the distribution of the proceeds of the same (House, No. 519) was considered, and after debate was referred to the next General

Court, as recommended by the committee on Taxation, by a vote of 41 to 39.

Mr. Dean of Wakefield raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 94 members were present.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lowell, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

Subsequently, Mr. Hayes moved that the roll be called to ascertain if a quorum was present. The motion was adopted, and the roll being called 143 members answered to their names, as follows:—

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.

Adams, Charles H.

Ames, Butler

Andrews, David B.

Balcom, George

Bartlett, Edwin

Battles, David W.

Bleiler, John

Blood, Charles H.

Bridgeo, William

Brigham, William M.

Bugbee, Nelson A.

Burrington, Lester L.

Campbell, Andrew

Carey, James F.

Carleton, George H.

Chadwick, N. Henry

Chase, Henry L.

Clerke, Charles S.

Cole, Samuel

Conwell, Robert E.

Cook, Clifford A.

Coolidge, Daniel S.

Corey, Charles V.

Crosby, Alfred R.

Crosby, J. Howell

Cullinane, Richard

Dalton, J. Frank

Daly, William

Davis, Daniel W.

Davis, William R.

Dean, Benjamin C.

Dean, Charles A.

Dean, George Z.

Dewey, Frank S., Jr.

Dillon, Thomas J.

Messrs. Donovan, Eugene E.

Donovan, James H.

Dooling, Thomas J.

Douglass, John J.

Drake, Frederic P.

Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d

Dudley, George J.

Dyer, George N.

Eddy, Curtis

Ellsworth, J. Lewis

Estes, Eugene B.

Feiker, William H.

Fisher, George E.

Fitzgerald, William T. A.

Flanagan, John J.

Folsom, Albert T.

Gartland, John J., Jr.

Goulding, Albert M.

Green, Thomas H.

Hancock, Portus B.

Harvell, Elisha T.

Harvie, Robert B.

Harwood, George F.

Harwood, Herbert J.

Haskins, Leander M.

Hawes, Martin E.

Hayes, William H. I.

Heath, Guilford P.

Howard, Robert

Hunt, James

Huntress, Franklin E.

Judd, William E.

Kavenaugh, John E.

Kells, William, Jr.

King, Randolph V.

Kyle, William S.

Messrs. Learoyd, Addison P.	Messrs. Robinson, Lewis D.
Leland, Francis	Root, Albert B.
Litchfield, James A.	Rounseville, Albert
Litchfield, William C.	Russell, Arthur P.
Lomasney, Martin M.	Salter, William R.
Lowe, John H.	Sands, Edward P.
Luce, Robert	Saunders, Charles R.
Mackey, Thomas	Scates, Louis M.
Mahoney, David A.	Schofield, William
Mahony, Frederick C.	Selfridge, George S.
Marchant, Charles S.	Severance, Joseph C.
Marchesseault, Eugene D.	Shaw, Nathan W.
Marden, William H.	Sheppard, Eben W.
McCarthy, Jeremiah F.	Simmons, Arthur A.
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.	Smith, Allen F.
McLoughlin, William I.	Smith, Charles F. A.
Mellen, James H.	Smith, Charles G.
Miller, Calvin S.	Sprague, Eugene H.
Miller, Charles H.	Stanley, Benjamin F.
Mills, Charles P.	Stone, Silas A.
Minihan, Cornelius	Stone, Willmore B.
Minton, John M.	Sullivan, Michael J.
Moore, James S.	Swift, William S.
Morse, Merrick A.	Tatman, Charles T.
Murphy, Mortimer D.A.	Tolman, William
Myers, James J.	Trow, Charles E.
Neal, David	Turner, Henry E.
Newton, H. Huestis	Turtle, William
Odlin, William	Upton, Charles H.
Parker, William C.	Wallace, S. Ives
Persons, Charles H.	Watson, Walter S.
Powers, John A.	Wells, Abelard E.
Prindle, John F.	Whall, Harry B.
Queeney, James H.	Whelan, John B.
Ramsdell, Charles H.	Williams, George F.
Reed, Silas D.	

The yeas and nays were then ordered, at the request of Mr. Dean, and the roll being called the House refused to refer the bill to the next General Court, and it was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

The vote was 73 yeas to 79 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.	Messrs. Andrews, David B.
Adams, Charles H.	Apsey, Albert S.
Ames, Butler	Bartlett, Edwin

Messrs.Briggs, Clarence A.
 Burgess, Albert H.
 Campbell, Andrew
 Carleton, George H.
 Chadwick, N. Henry
 Cole, Samuel
 Conwell, Robert E.
 Cook, Clifford A.
 Coolidge, Daniel S.
 Corey, Charles V.
 Crosby, Alfred R.
 Crosby, J. Howell
 Dalton, J. Frank
 Dean, Benjamin C.
 Dean, George Z.
 Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
 Drake, Frederic P.
 Ellsworth, J. Lewis
 Fisher, George E.
 Folsom, Albert T.
 Harlow, Franklin P.
 Harwood, George F.
 Harwood, Herbert J.
 Hawes, Martin E.
 Hayes, William H. I.
 Howland, Charles W.
 Hunt, James
 Judd, William E.
 Leland, Francis
 Libby, John F.
 Litchfield, William C.
 Lomasney, Martin M.
 Lowe, John H.
 Marchant, Charles S.

Messrs.McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
 Miller, Calvin S.
 Miller, Charles H.
 Mills, Charles P.
 Morse, Merrick A.
 Myers, James J.
 Neal, David
 Odlin, William
 Powers, John A.
 Ramsdell, Charles H.
 Reed, Silas D.
 Robinson, Lewis D.
 Sands, Edward P.
 Saunders, Charles R.
 Selfridge, George S.
 Shaw, Nathan W.
 Sheppard, Eben W.
 Simmons, Arthur A.
 Smith, Allen F.
 Smith, Charles F. A.
 Smith, Charles G.
 Stanley, Benjamin F.
 Stone, Silas A.
 Stone, Willmore B.
 Tatman, Charles T.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Wallace, S. Ives
 Watson, Walter S.
 Wells, Abelard E.
 Weston, Walter S.
 Whall, Harry B.
 Wheeler, William D.
 Williams, George F.

NAYS.

Messrs.Balcom, George
 Battles, David W.
 Bleiler, John
 Blood, Charles H.
 Bridgeo, William
 Brigham, William M.
 Bugbee, Nelson A.
 Burrington, Lester L.
 Carey, James F.
 Chase, Henry L.
 Clerke, Charles S.
 Cullinane, Richard
 Daly, William

Messrs.Davis, Daniel W.
 Davis, William R.
 Dean, Charles A.
 Dillon, Thomas J.
 Donovan, Eugene E.
 Donovan, James H.
 Dooling, Thomas J.
 Douglass, John J.
 Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
 Dudley, George J.
 Dyer, George N.
 Eddy, Curtis
 Estes, Eugene B.

Messrs. Feiker, William H.	Messrs. Marden, William H.
Fitzgerald, William T.A.	McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
Flanagan, John J.	McLoughlin, William I.
Gartland, John J., Jr.	Mellen, James H.
Goulding, Albert M.	Minihan, Cornelius
Green, Thomas H.	Minton, John M.
Grimes, James W.	Moore, James S.
Hancock, Portus B.	Munroe, John P.
Harvell, Elisha T.	Murphy, Mortimer D.A.
Harvie, Robert B.	Newton, H. Huestis
Haskins, Leander M.	Persons, Charles H.
Heath, Guilford P.	Porter, Thomas F.
Horton, Henry T.	Prindle, John F.
Howard, Robert	Queeney, James H.
Howland, Willard	Rounseville, Albert
Huntress, Franklin E.	Russell, Arthur P.
Kavanaugh, John E.	Salter, William R.
Kells, William, Jr.	Scates, Louis M.
King, Charles F.	Severance, Joseph C.
Kyle, William S.	Skinner, Henry R.
Learoyd, Addison P.	Sprague, Eugene H.
Litchfield, James A.	Sullivan, Michael J.
Luce, Robert	Tolman, William
Mackey, Thomas	Turtle, William
Mahoney, David A.	Upson, Charles H.
Mahony, Frederick C.	Whelan, John B.
Marchesseault, Eugene D.	

73 yeas ; 79 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Schofield, William*	Messrs. Donahue, Thomas
Trow, Charles E.*	Ross, Samuel
Lanergan, John P.	Root, Albert B.*
King, Randolph V.*	Jones, Michael B.

* Present.

The Bill to authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to grant locations to street railway companies (House, No. 1001) was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Weston of Hyde Park moved to amend as follows : —

In section 2, by inserting after the word “require,” in line 17, the words “*provided, however, that the aldermen*

of any city or the selectmen of any town within which a location is hereunder granted or any street railway company having a location within such city or town, may, within fifteen days, appeal to the Governor and Council, who after notice and hearing, may refuse to approve such location, in which case such location shall be void ;” and

In section 3, by striking out, in lines 9 and 10, the words “ appeal from said order of revocation to the Governor and Council,” and inserting in place thereof the words “ within thirty days from the making of any order revoking a street railway location appeal therefrom to the Governor and Council, and that after the filing of such appeal the order of revocation shall not be valid unless approved by the Governor and Council, after a public notice and hearing.”

After debate the amendments were adopted and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on April 14, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, the Bill relative to the use of streets by corporations (Senate, No. 200) was withdrawn by Mr. Newton of Everett, there being no objection.

The Bill to provide for the construction of a new bridge across the Connecticut River between the city of Springfield and the town of West Springfield (House, No. 1116) was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

After debate the bill was referred to the next General Court, on motion of Mr. Dean of Cheshire.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on April 20, rejected the Bill to provide for the equalization of tax burdens (House, No. 598) was considered.

Mr. Luce of Somerville moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table, which motion, after debate, was lost.

The House then refused to reconsider.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on May 8, accepted the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 579) of William A. Munroe for further legislation relative to suits to quiet the title of real estate, was considered, and after debate was adopted.

Pending the recurring question on the acceptance of the report, Mr. Myers of Cambridge moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relative to suits to quiet the title of real estate" (House, No. 579).

After debate the bill was substituted, and having been read was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill relative to equitable process after judgment in certain cases (House, No. 1172) was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Chase of Westborough.

At the request of Mr. Driscoll of Chicopee, the yeas and nays were ordered, and the roll being called the bill was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 112 yeas to 39 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.
Adams, Charles H.
Ainsworth, Wilfred
Ames, Butler
Andrews, David B.
Apsey, Albert S.
Bartlett, Edwin
Battles, David W.
Briggs, Clarence A.
Burgess, Albert H.
Burrington, Lester L.
Campbell, Andrew
Carleton, George H.
Chase, Henry L.
Cluer, Arthur H.
Cole, Samuel
Conwell, Robert E.
Coolidge, Daniel S.
Corey, Charles V.
Crosby, Alfred R.
Crosby, J. Howell
Dalton, J. Frank
Davis, Daniel W.
Davis, William R.
Dean, Benjamin C.
Dean, George Z.
Dudley, George J.
Dumond, John B.
Dyer, George N.

Messrs. Eddy, Curtis
Estes, Eugene B.
Feiker, William H.
Fisher, George E.
Folsom, Albert T.
Goulding, Albert M.
Green, Thomas H.
Grimes, James W.
Harlow, Franklin P.
Harvell, Elisha T.
Harwood, George F.
Harwood, Herbert J.
Hawes, Martin E.
Heath, Guilford P.
Henderson, Francis D.
Horton, Henry T.
Howland, Charles W.
Howland, Willard
Hunt, James
Huntress, Franklin E.
Judd, William E.
Keith, Charles P.
King, Charles F.
King, Randolph V.
Kyle, William S.
Langford, John T.
Learoyd, Addison P.
Leland, Francis
Litchfield, James A.

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Messrs. Litchfield, William C.	Messrs. Schofield, William
Lockhart, Alexander	Selfridge, George S.
Lowe, John H.	Shaw, Nathan W.
Luce, Robert	Sheppard, Eben W.
Mansfield, Matthew M.	Simmons, Arthur A.
Marchant, Charles S.	Skinner, Henry R.
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.	Smith, Allen F.
Miller, Calvin S.	Smith, Charles F. A.
Miller, Charles H.	Smith, Charles G.
Mills, Charles P.	Sprague, Eugene H.
Minton, John M.	Stanley, Benjamin F.
Moore, James S.	Stone, Silas A.
Morrison, Andrew H.	Stone, Willmore B.
Munroe, John P.	Swift, William S.
Myers, James J.	Trow, Charles E.
Neal, David	Turner, Henry E.
Newton, H. Huestis	Twombly, Horatio F.
Persons, Charles H.	Upton, Charles H.
Powers, John A.	Wallace, S. Ives
Puffer, Herbert C.	Watson, Walter S.
Ramsdell, Charles H.	Wells, Abelard E.
Reed, Silas D.	Wentworth, Edward E.
Robinson, Lewis D.	Weston, Walter S.
Root, Albert B.	Wheeler, William D.
Rounseville, Albert	Whelan, John B.
Russell, Arthur P.	Willard, Edward E.
Sands, Edward P.	Williams, George F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Balcom, George	Messrs. Kane, Daniel J.
Bridgeo, William	Kavanaugh, John E.
Brown, Willard M.	Lomasney, Martin M.
Bugbee, Nelson A.	Mahoney, David A.
Carey, James F.	Marchesseault, Eugene D.
Cullinane, Richard	Marden, William H.
Daly, William	McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
Dean, Charles A.	McLoughlin, William I.
Dewey, Frank S., Jr.	Mellen, James H.
Dillon, Thomas J.	Minihan, Cornelius
Donovan, Eugene E.	Montgomery, James A.
Donovan, James H.	Murphy, Mortimer D.A.
Dooling, Thomas J.	Queeney, James H.
Douglass, John J.	Scates, Louis M.
Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d	Sullivan, Michael J.
Fitzgerald, William T.A.	Sullivan, Timothy F.
Gartland, John J., Jr.	Tolman, William
Hancock, Portus B.	Toomey, John J.
Harriman, Charles H.	Varney, George E.
Howard, Robert	

112 yeas ; 39 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Porter, Thomas F.*	Messrs. Lanergan, John P.
Francis, Frank W.	Salter, William R.*
Chadwick, N. Henry*	Jones, Michael B.
Cook, Clifford A.*	Twomey, Edmund J.
Ellsworth, J. Lewis	Tatman, Charles T.*
Brown, Henry L.*	Toland, John I.
Harvie, Robert B.*	Currier, Guy W.
Mead, Edward C.*	Donovan, Edward J.
Drake, Frederic P.*	Bresnahan, Hugh W.
Hooper, Franklin K.	Severance, Joseph C.*
Haskins, Leander M.*	Donahue, Thomas
Ross, Leonard W.	Mahony, Frederick C.*

* Present.

The report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 360) of the mayor of the city of Lynn for legislation to authorize cities and towns to receive partial payments of taxes on undivided pieces of real estate, was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Newton of Everett.

The Resolve in favor of George Dunbar (House, No. 711) was considered, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend the report of the committee by striking out the words "same ought not to pass," and inserting in place thereof the words "further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court."

After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Skinner of Watertown.

At one o'clock P.M., under the standing order, a recess was taken until two o'clock.

On the reassembling of the House the motion of Mr. Mellen was adopted, by a vote of 94 to 32, and the resolve was referred to the next General Court.

The Bill to provide for the construction of a high-level gravity sewer for the relief of the Charles and Neponset

River valleys (House, No. 1085) was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Langford of Newton, the bill was amended as follows : —

In section 15, by striking out, in line 1 and in lines 4 and 5, the words “ expense for the construction,” and inserting in place thereof, in each case, the words “ interest and sinking fund requirements and the cost of maintenance and operation ; ”

In section 16, by striking out, in line 12, the words “ completion of said system,” and inserting in place thereof the words “ year of the first issue of said scrip or certificates ; ” and

By inserting after section 21 the following new section :
“ *Section 22.* The expense incurred by the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners under chapter four of the resolves of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight shall be charged to the fund to be used in construction or maintenance of said sewers, and the amounts paid by the several cities and towns named in said resolve shall be repaid to said cities and towns, in the settlement of their proportionate part of the cost of such construction or maintenance of said sewers.”

Mr. Smith of Waltham moved that the bill, as amended, be referred to the next General Court, which motion, after debate, was lost.

Mr. Tatman of Worcester moved to amend by adding at the end of section 2 the words “ Nothing herein contained shall be construed to vest any rights which cannot be extended to cities and towns or parts thereof, other than those herein named, upon such terms and conditions as may hereafter be imposed by legislative enactment.”

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, the amendment was adopted and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the Berkshire and Canaan Street Railway Company (Senate, No. 333) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Ames of Lowell moved to amend section 6 by striking out from the words inserted by amendment by the Senate after the word “ baggage,” in line 3, the words “ to carry on an express business.”

The amendment was adopted and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to enable the city council of the city of Boston to obtain information in certain cases (House, No. 1189) was read a third time, and pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was postponed for consideration until Friday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, on motion of Mr. Brigham of Marlborough.

The Bill to protect public parks, parkways and boulevards from disfigurement (House, No. 132) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Haskins of Rockport moved to amend section 1 by inserting after the word "visible," in line 6, the words "but not exceeding four hundred feet."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Sprague of Quincy, the amendment was adopted, and the House refused to order the bill, as amended, to a third reading, by a vote of 36 to 74, and notice of its rejection was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Robinson of Springfield, at twenty-eight minutes past four o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 18, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at ten o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Orders.

Last week of
the session.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Springfield, —
Ordered, That the week beginning with Monday, May 22, be considered the last week of the session.

Each session a
legislative day.

On motion of the same gentleman, —
Ordered, That on and after Monday, May 22, each session of the House shall be considered a legislative day.

Petitions Presented.

Intoxicating
liquors.

By Mr. Dumond of Boston, petition of John B. Dumond for legislation relative to the correction of liquor laws. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

City of Cam-
bridge, —
sewerage bonds.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, petition of Daniel S. Coolidge for legislation to authorize the city of Cambridge to issue bonds for sewer purposes for the financial year commencing in 1898. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

Ware Street
Railway
Company.

On motion of Mr. Morse of Belchertown, the petition of Frederick D. Gilmore and others for an act to incorporate the Ware Street Railway Company was taken from the files of last year, and the same was referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee of
conference, —
collection of
taxes.

A report of the committee of conference to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill to provide for part payment of taxes

and of certain claims against cities and towns (House, No. 1006), recommending that the Senate recede from its amendment in section 1 (striking out, in line 7, the word "twenty-five," and inserting in place thereof the word "fifty"); and further recommending that the bill be amended in the same section by striking out, in line 8, the word "shall," and inserting in place thereof the word "may," — accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Newton of Everett.

A report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 187) of James F. Shaw and others for incorporation for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating railroads and street railways and electric power and lighting plants in the various states, territories and colonies of the United States and in foreign countries, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers of Cambridge.

James F. Shaw and others, — incorporation for constructing and operating railroads, street railways and electric plants.

Bills :

To extend the time for completing and operating the Millbury, Sutton and Douglas Railroad (Senate, No. 317) (reported on a petition); and

Millbury, Sutton and Douglas Railroad.

Relative to the laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 324) (reported on petitions, with accompanying bills, House, Nos. 228 and 807 and Senate, No. 30, and on a bill, Senate, No. 100, introduced on leave) [Mr. Tague, of the Senate, and Mr. Lomasney of Boston, of the House, dissenting];

City of Boston, — highways.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The House bills :

Relative to the inspection of gas and gas meters (House, No. 1038);

Gas and gas meters, — inspection.

Relative to the service of process in the collection of taxes (House, No. 1152); and

Collection of taxes, — service of process.

Relative to the sewerage works of the city of Boston (House, No. 1168);

City of Boston, — sewerage works.

Severally came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question, in each

case, being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Committee of conference, — fraternal beneficiary corporations.

The House Bill relative to fraternal beneficiary corporations (House, No. 1118) came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendments, asked for a committee of conference, and that Messrs. Whittlesey, Hodgkins and Moran had been appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Newton of Everett, the House insisted on its non-concurrence and concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference. Messrs. Newton of Everett, Whipple of Brockton and Sisson of Lynn were appointed the committee on the part of the House, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Corporations, — use of streets.

The Senate Bill relative to the use of streets by corporations (Senate, No. 200) came down with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred in the House amendment. On motion of Mr. Newton of Everett, the bill was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, to be placed in the orders of the day.

Soldiers and sailors, — civil service exemption.

The Senate Bill to extend civil service exemption to veterans of the war with Spain (Senate, No. 316) came down with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred in the amendments to section 1 (inserting after the word "war," in lines 5 and 10, in each case, the words "or who has been in active service of the United States in the army or navy for five years"), and concurred in the adoption of the amendment inserting after section 2 a new section.

Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston moved that the House recede from its amendments to section 1.

Mr. Howland of Chelsea moved that the bill be postponed for consideration until to-morrow, which motion, after debate, was lost.

The House then receded from its amendments to section 1, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Governors of the Commonwealth, — portraits.

The House Resolve to authorize the purchase of portraits of governors of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1115) came down with the endorsement that the Senate receded from its amendments, in which the House had non-concurred.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Hunt of Worcester, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Somerville to acquire and lay out certain land for a public park. (House, No. 1143, modified in section 1 by inserting after the word "street," in line 11, the words "eighty feet;" and by inserting after the word "Broadway," in the same line, the words "seventy feet.") Read and ordered to a second reading, and under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Fitts of Somerville, the bill was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of Mr. Fitts.

City of
Somerville, —
public park.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, from the committee of conference to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill relative to legacies (House, No. 442), that they are unable to agree. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same gentleman, and sent up for concurrence.

Committee of
conference, —
legacies.

By Mr. Porter of Lynn, from the committee of conference to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill to provide compensation for the Metropolitan Park Commissioners (House, No. 1097), recommending that the Senate recede from its amendments. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Newton of Everett, and sent up for concurrence.

Committee of
conference, —
compensation
for the Metro-
politan Park
Commissioners.

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, from the committee on Ways and Means, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill imposing a tax on legacies, successions and certain other transfers and providing for the distribution of the proceeds of the same. (House, No. 519.)

Taxation, —
legacies, suc-
cessions and
other transfers.

By Mr. Seavey of Lynn, from the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (recommitted, with accompanying bill, House, No. 797) of William J. Brickley and others for legislation to require the Lynn and Boston Railroad Company to issue certain free transfers.

Lynn and Bos-
ton Railroad
Company, —
free transfers.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

State House
grounds.

By Mr. Folsom of Springfield, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to provide for enlarging and improving the State House grounds (printed as Senate, No. 285) be referred to the next General Court. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the reference of the bill to the next General Court.

Metropolitan
Park Com-
mission, —
Nantasket
Beach.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to take, control and manage Nantasket Beach and adjacent lands and waters ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 1201.) [Mr. McIsaac of Boston dissenting.] Read and ordered to a second reading.

Allowance to
families of per-
sons killed or
injured while
doing fire duty.

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to provide for the payment of an allowance to families of certain persons not firemen but who are killed or fatally injured while doing fire duty (Senate, No. 16) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the travelling expenses of jurors ;

Making an appropriation for expenses in connection with the industries at the State Farm ;

To authorize the appointment of a permanent court officer for the probate court of the county of Middlesex ;

To repeal the act establishing a fire department for the town of Danvers ;

Making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

Relative to the crossing of railroads and public ways in East Boston ;

Making an appropriation for the employment of prisoners in making goods for the use of public institutions ;

To establish the District Court of Eastern Franklin ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relative to delaying service of warrants in criminal cases ;

To authorize the purchase of historical works relative to the services of Massachusetts volunteers during the Spanish war ;

To authorize the city of Worcester to make an additional water loan ;

Relative to the solemnization of marriages ; and

Relative to infectious diseases among domestic animals and to establish a new Board of Cattle Commissioners ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the replacing of street-car tracks on Boylston and Tremont streets in the city of Boston (which originated in the House) was put upon its final passage.

Mr. Saunders of Boston moved to amend by striking out the enacting clause.

The same gentleman moved a suspension of House Rule 53, which motion, after debate, was lost.

After further debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Hawes of Weymouth, the House refused to amend by striking out the enacting clause, and the bill was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of George E. McNeil ;

In favor of Christopher Harrison ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Relative to the Pan-American Exposition (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. Tatman of Worcester, the Bill to authorize the city of Worcester to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 326) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the bill was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of Mr. Tatman.

City of
Worcester, —
water loan.

On motion of Mr. Langford of Newton, the Bill to authorize the town of Leominster to supply the inhabitants of the town of Lunenburg with water (House, No. 1065)

Town of
Leominster, —
water supply
for Lunenburg.

was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, the bill was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of Mr. Langford.

Orders of the Day.

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The report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 360) of the mayor of the city of Lynn for legislation to authorize cities and towns to receive partial payments of taxes on undivided pieces of real estate, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve to provide for the survey of forest lands and waste unused areas of the Commonwealth (printed as House, No. 124) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

The Bill to authorize the county of Suffolk to pay a sum of money to S. Alice Osborne (printed as House, No. 858) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

The Resolve to authorize the payment of sewer assessments and street watering assessments on property of the Commonwealth in the city of Worcester (House, No. 412) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, the rule was suspended, and the resolve was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

The Bill relative to suits to quiet the title of real estate (House, No. 579) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To provide for the construction of a high-level gravity sewer for the relief of the Charles and Neponset River valleys (House, No. 1085) ; and

Making an appropriation for the improvement of Green Harbor in the town of Marshfield (House, No. 1198) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Berkshire and Canaan Street Railway Company (Senate, No. 333) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment previously adopted by the House.

The Bill relative to the hours of labor of women and minors (House, No. 126) was considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Heath of Northborough, was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Labor, by a vote of 79 to 34, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (with accompanying bill, House, No. 681) of Anna Cabot Lodge and others for legislation to limit the height of buildings on Beacon Hill in the city of Boston, was considered.

Mr. Schofield of Malden moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to preserve the safety, dignity and beauty of the State House in the city of Boston " (House, No. 1197).

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Myers of Cambridge, the bill was substituted, and having been read was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on April 24, referred to the next General Court, as amended, the Bill to authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to construct a bridge across the Mystic River between the city of Somerville and that part of the city of Medford known as Wellington (House, No. 281) was considered, and after debate was adopted, by a vote of 57 to 33.

Pending the recurring question on referring the bill to the next General Court, Mr. Schofield of Malden moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 1200).

Mr. Marden of Stoneham moved to amend section 4 of the bill moved as a substitute by striking out, in lines 7 and 8, the words "and the town of Stoneham," which amendment was adopted.

Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston moved to amend the bill moved as a substitute by inserting after section 6 the following new section: "*Section 7.* Nothing contained herein shall authorize the assessment of any portion of the cost of construction or maintenance of said bridge upon the city of Boston."

At one o'clock P.M., under the standing order, a recess was taken until two o'clock.

On the reassembling of the House, Mr. Hooper of Manchester moved the previous question, which motion was adopted.

On the question on the adoption of the amendment moved by Mr. Fitzgerald, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, and the roll being called the amendment was rejected, by a vote of 69 yeas to 83 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ames, Butler

Andrews, David B.
Battles, David W.
Bleiler, John
Bridgeo, William
Brigham, William M.
Bugbee, Nelson A.
Burrington, Lester L.
Carey, James F.
Clerke, Charles S.
Cluer, Arthur H.
Crosby, Aaron S.
Daly, William
Davenport, William A.
Davis, William R.
Dillon, Thomas J.
Donovan, Edward J.
Donovan, Eugene E.
Donovan, James H.
Dooling, Thomas J.

Messrs. Dudley, George J.

Dumond, John B.
Farwell, Frederick W.
Fitzgerald, William T. A.
Flanagan, John J.
Foster, Frank A.
Gaddis, Michael E.
Gartland, John J., Jr.
Green, Thomas H.
Grimes, James W.
Harvell, Elisha T.
Jones, Michael B.
Kane, Daniel J.
Keith, Charles P.
King, Charles F.
King, Randolph V.
Kyle, William S.
Lanergan, John P.
Litchfield, William C.
Lockhart, Alexander

Messrs. Mackey, Thomas
 Mahoney, David A.
 Mahony, Frederick C.
 Marden, William H.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
 McIsaac, Daniel V.
 McLoughlin, William I.
 Mellen, James H.
 Minton, John M.
 Morrison, Andrew H.
 Murphy, Mortimer D.A.
 Parker, William C.
 Queeney, James H.
 Root, Albert B.
 Ross, Leonard W.

Messrs. Ross, Samuel
 Rounseville, Albert
 Saunders, Charles R.
 Scates, Louis M.
 Selfridge, George S.
 Stanley, Benjamin F.
 Stone, Willmore B.
 Sullivan, Michael J.
 Sullivan, Timothy F.
 Toomey, John J.
 Trow, Charles E.
 Wallace, S. Ives
 Whall, Harry B.
 Whelan, John B.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles H.
 Ainsworth, Wilfred
 Balcom, George
 Bartlett, Edwin
 Briggs, Clarence A.
 Brown, Henry L.
 Burgess, Albert H.
 Carleton, George H.
 Chadwick, N. Henry
 Chapple, William D.
 Chase, Henry L.
 Cole, Samuel
 Conwell, Robert E.
 Cook, Clifford A.
 Coolidge, Daniel S.
 Crosby, Alfred R.
 Crosby, J. Howell
 Dalton, J. Frank
 Davis, Daniel W.
 Dean, Benjamin C.
 Dean, George Z.
 Donahue, Thomas
 Fitts, Frank E.
 Folsom, Albert T.
 Francis, Frank W.
 Hancock, Portus B.
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Harwood, George F.
 Hawes, Martin E.
 Hayes, William H. I.
 Haywood, Charles E.
 Henderson, Francis D.
 Hooper, Franklin K.

Messrs. Howard, Robert
 Howland, Charles W.
 Howland, Willard
 Hunt, James
 Kavenaugh, John E.
 Keyou, Nicholas B.
 Learoyd, Addison P.
 Leland, Francis
 Libby, John F.
 Litchfield, James A.
 Lomasney, Martin M.
 Luce, Robert
 Marchesseault, Eugene D.
 Mead, Edward C.
 Miller, Calvin S.
 Miller, Charles H.
 Mills, Charles P.
 Minihan, Cornelius
 Munroe, John P.
 Myers, James J.
 Neal, David
 Newton, H. Huestis
 Newton, Phinehas S.
 Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.
 Persons, Charles H.
 Pike, William T.
 Powers, John A.
 Ramsdell, Charles H.
 Reed, Silas D.
 Salter, William R.
 Schofield, William
 Seavey, James F.
 Severance, Joseph C.

Messrs. Simmons, Arthur A.	Messrs. Upson, Charles H.
Smith, Charles F. A.	Varney, George E.
Smith, Charles G.	Watson, Walter S.
Sprague, Eugene H.	Weston, Walter S.
Stalker, Hugh L.	White, Horace C.
Stone, Silas A.	Willard, Edward E.
Swift, William S.	Williams, George F.
Tolman, William	Wood, Alva S.
Turner, Henry E.	

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PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. McCarthy, Jeremiah J.*	Messrs. Quigley, William J.
Gilpatric, Fred C.*	Langford, John T.
Toland, John I.	Drake, Frederic P.*
Eddy, Curtis*	Russell, Arthur P.
Kells, William, Jr.	Sheppard, Eben W.*
Bresnahan, Hugh W.	Marchant, Charles S.*

* Present.

On the question on the substitution of the bill moved by Mr. Schofield, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of that gentleman, and the roll being called the House refused to substitute the bill, by a vote of 64 yeas to 81 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles H.	Messrs. Fitts, Frank E.
Ainsworth, Wilfred	Folsom, Albert T.
Bartlett, Edwin	Francis, Frank W.
Brooks, Charles C.	Harriman, Charles H.
Brown, Henry L.	Hawes, Martin E.
Burgess, Albert H.	Hayes, William H. I.
Carleton, George H.	Haywood, Charles E.
Chadwick, N. Henry	Henderson, Francis D.
Chapple, William D.	Hooper, Franklin K.
Chase, Henry L.	Howard, Robert
Cole, Samuel	Howland, Charles W.
Cook, Clifford A.	Howland, Willard
Crosby, Alfred R.	Hunt, James
Crosby, J. Howell	Kavanaugh, John E.
Dean, Benjamin C.	Keyou, Nicholas B.
Dean, George Z.	Langford, John T.
Dudley, George J.	Leland, Francis

Messrs. Libby, John F.
 Litchfield, James A.
 Luce, Robert
 Mead, Edward C.
 Miller, Calvin S.
 Miller, Charles H.
 Mills, Charles P.
 Minihan, Cornelius
 Neal, David
 Newton, H. Huestis
 Newton, Phineas S.
 Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.
 Powers, John A.
 Schofield, William
 Severance, Joseph C.

Messrs. Sheppard, Eben W.
 Simmons, Arthur A.
 Smith, Charles G.
 Sprague, Eugene H.
 Stalker, Hugh L.
 Stone, Silas A.
 Swift, William S.
 Tolman, William
 Turner, Henry E.
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FRIDAY, May 19, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at ten o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Papers from the Senate.

State Board of
Agriculture, —
annual report.

A report of the committee on Agriculture, no further legislation necessary, on the forty-sixth annual report of the secretary of the Massachusetts State Board of Agriculture (Pub. Doc. No. 4), accepted by the Senate, was read and was accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Puffer of Springfield.

Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

A report of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the report of the State Board of Agriculture acting as overseers of the Massachusetts Agricultural College (see Pub. Doc. No. 4), accepted by the Senate, was read and was accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Bugbee of Monson.

Id.

A report of the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the thirty-sixth annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College (Pub. Doc. No. 31), accepted by the Senate, was read and was accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Harwood of Lynn.

City of Boston,
— highways.

A Bill relative to the establishment of highways in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 340) (new draft of a bill reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, House, No. 353), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Town of
Becket, —
annual meeting.

A Bill to legalize and confirm certain proceedings of the town of Becket (Senate, No. 342) (reported on a bill, House, No. 1123, recommitted, in part), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motions of Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

A Bill to legalize and confirm certain proceedings of the town of Huntington (Senate, No. 343) (reported on a bill, House No. 1123, recommitted, in part), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motions of Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Town of
Huntington, —
annual meeting.

A Bill to legalize and confirm certain proceedings of the town of Middlefield (Senate, No. 344) (reported on a bill, House, No. 1123, recommitted, in part), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motions of Mr. Upson of Easthampton, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Town of
Middlefield, —
annual meeting.

A Bill to legalize and confirm certain proceedings of the town of Southwick (Senate, No. 345) (reported on a bill, House, No. 1123, recommitted, in part), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Upson of Easthampton, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, the bill was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of Mr. Stone.

Town of
Southwick, —
annual meeting.

A Bill to legalize and confirm certain proceedings of the town of Sutton (Senate, No. 346) (reported on a bill, House, No. 1123, recommitted, in part), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motions of Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Town of
Sutton, —
annual meeting.

The House Bill relative to certain grade crossings in the cities of Cambridge and Boston (House, No. 1174) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred, under a sus-

Cities of Cam-
bridge and
Boston, — grade
crossings.

pension of the rule, moved by Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Reports of Committees.

Massachusetts
Agricultural
College, —
report of Hatch
Experiment
Station.

By Mr. Severance of Shelburne, from the committee on Agriculture, no legislation necessary, on the eleventh annual report of the Hatch Experiment Station of the Massachusetts Agricultural College (Pub. Doc. No. 33). Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Severance, and sent up for concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Public schools,
— State appro-
priation.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to authorize a State appropriation for the support of public schools (House, No. 1069) be referred to the next General Court.

Town of
Stoneham, —
veterans.

By Mr. McIsaac of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of certain veterans of the town of Stoneham be referred to the next General Court. (House, No. 1202.)

Electric meters,
— inspection.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill to regulate the use and provide for the inspection of electric meters (House, No. 998) be referred to the next General Court.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question, in each case, being on reference to the next General Court.

Public schools,
— method of
support.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee on Ways and Means, on the Bill to authorize a State appropriation for the support of public schools (House, No. 1069), in part, a Resolve providing for a commission to investigate into the necessity for additional legislation relative to the method of supporting public schools. (House, No. 1205.)

City of Boston,
— father of
Thomas L.
Rourke.

By Mr. Kane of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the father of Thomas L. Rourke. (House, No. 1025.) [Messrs. Chamberlain, Whittlesey and Sanderson, of the Senate, and Hayes of Lowell, Puffer of Springfield and Chadwick of Newton, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to provide for certain surveys and estimates by the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners ought to pass, in the form of a resolve, with the title "Resolve to provide for certain surveys by the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners." (House, No. 1203.) Read and ordered to a second reading, and under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Wood of Woburn, the resolve was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners, — surveys.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, the Bill to permit boating and fishing on the ponds and reservoirs of the metropolitan water system (House, No. 137) was taken from the table, and was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, sitting jointly, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Metropolitan water system, — boating and fishing on ponds and reservoirs.

Reconsideration.

On motion of Mr. Ross of Boston, the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the Resolve to provide for the survey of forest lands and waste unused areas of the Commonwealth (printed as House, No. 124) was reconsidered.

Forest survey.

Pending the recurring question on the rejection of the resolve, it was postponed for further consideration until Monday, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To incorporate Simmons Female College ;

To incorporate the West Sutton Cemetery Association ;

To provide for part payment of taxes and of certain claims against cities and towns ; and

To extend the time for filing petitions for the assessment of damages accruing from the location and construction of railroads under the provisions of the act to provide for a union station for passengers on railroads entering the southerly part of the city of Boston ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Bills enacted.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves :
In favor of Annie H. Corson ; and
To authorize the purchase of portraits of governors of
the Commonwealth ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;
Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

Corporations,—
use of streets.

On motion of Mr. Newton of Everett, the Bill relative to the use of streets by corporations (Senate, No. 200) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule.

On motion of the same gentleman, the House insisted on its amendment and asked for a committee of conference. Messrs. Newton of Everett, Crosby of Arlington and Adams of Melrose were appointed the committee on the part of the House, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

City of Boston,
—sewerage
works.

On motions of Mr. Russell of Boston, the Bill relative to the sewerage works of the city of Boston (House, No. 1168) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and postponed for consideration until Monday, pending the question on concurring with the Senate in certain amendments.

Orders of the Day.

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The report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (recommended, with accompanying bill, House, No. 797) of William J. Brickley and others for legislation to require the Lynn and Boston Railroad Company to issue certain free transfers, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the payment of an allowance to families of certain persons not firemen but who are killed or fatally injured while doing fire duty (Senate, No. 16) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

The Bill to extend the time for completing and operating the Millbury, Sutton and Douglas Railroad (Senate, No. 317) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. On motions of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Rule 15 was also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

The Bill to preserve the safety, dignity and beauty of the State House in the city of Boston (House, No. 1197) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to enable the city council of the city of Boston to obtain information in certain cases (House, No. 1189) was postponed for consideration until Monday, to be placed second in the orders of the day, on motion of Mr. Myers of Cambridge, pending the question on passing it to be engrossed.

The report of the committee on Ways and Means, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 806) of Helen L. Butterfield for legislation to provide for the payment of certain damages growing out of takings of the Metropolitan Park Commission, was postponed for consideration until Monday, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

The Bill to provide for enlarging and improving the State House grounds (printed as Senate, No. 285) was considered.

Pending the question on the reference of the bill to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, Mr. Skillings of Boston moved that it be postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day, which motion, after debate, was lost, by a vote of 34 to 42.

The same gentleman moved that the bill be laid on the table, which motion was lost.

The bill was then referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee.

The report of the committee on Ways and Means, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill imposing a tax on legacies, successions and certain

other transfers and providing for the distribution of the proceeds of the same (House, No. 519), was accepted, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

The Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to take, control and manage Nantasket Beach and adjacent lands and waters (House, No. 1201) was read a second time and considered.

Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Sullivan of Boston moved that it be postponed for consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Mr. Newton of Everett moved that it be postponed for further consideration until Monday.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved that the bill be laid on the table.

After debate the motion of Mr. Mellen was adopted, and accordingly the bill was laid on the table.

The Bill relative to the laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 324) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Sands of Boston moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in line 3, the word "altering."

Mr. Lomasney of Boston moved to amend the same section by striking out all after the word "city," in line 16.

Mr. Minton of Boston moved to amend the same section by striking out, in line 22, the words "five hundred," and inserting in place thereof the words "three hundred and fifty;" and by striking out, in lines 24 and 25, the words "two hundred," and inserting in place thereof the words "three hundred and fifty."

After debate the amendment moved by Mr. Sands was rejected.

The amendment moved by Mr. Lomasney was rejected, by a vote of 20 to 49.

The amendments moved by Mr. Minton were rejected, by a vote of 40 to 40.

Mr. Lomasney raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 116 members were present.

On motion of Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

On the appearance of a quorum the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Minton, and the roll being called the amendments were adopted, by a vote of 88 yeas to 51 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Andrews, David B.

Apsey, Albert S.

Balcom, George

Bartlett, Edwin

Battles, David W.

Bleiler, John

Boylston, Ward N.

Bresnahan, Hugh W.

Brigham, William M.

Brooks, Charles C.

Brown, Henry L.

Brown, Willard M.

Bullock, William J.

Chapple, William D.

Chase, Henry L.

Cook, Clifford A.

Coolidge, Daniel S.

Cullinane, Richard

Currier, Guy W.

Dalton, J. Frank

Daly, William

Davenport, William A.

Davis, Daniel W.

Davis, William R.

Dean, Charles A.

Dillon, Thomas J.

Donahue, Thomas

Donovan, Edward J.

Donovan, Eugene E.

Dudley, George J.

Dyer, George N.

Estes, Eugene B.

Flanagan, John J.

Gartland, John J., Jr.

Green, Thomas H.

Grimes, James W.

Hancock, Portus B.

Harvell, Elisha T.

Harvie, Robert B.

Harwood, George F.

Haskins, Leander M.

Hayes, William H. I.

Haywood, Charles E.

Hooper, Franklin K.

Messrs. Howard, Robert

Hunt, James

Jones, Michael B.

Kane, Daniel J.

Kavenaugh, John E.

Keyou, Nicholas B.

King, Charles F.

King, Randolph V.

Kyle, William S.

Lanergan, John P.

Litchfield, James A.

Lockhart, Alexander

Lomasney, Martin M.

Mahoney, David A.

Mahony, Frederick C.

McCarthy, Jeremiah F.

McLoughlin, William I.

Mellen, James H.

Minihan, Cornelius

Minton, John M.

Morrison, Andrew H.

Myers, James J.

Odlin, William

Prindle, John F.

Puffer, Herbert C.

Queeney, James H.

Root, Albert B.

Rounseville, Albert

Scates, Louis M.

Seavey, James F.

Severance, Joseph C.

Smith, Charles F. A.

Sparks, John T.

Stone, Willmore B.

Sullivan, Michael J.

Sullivan, Timothy F.

Swift, William S.

Tatman, Charles T.

Trow, Charles E.

Upson, Charles H.

Wells, Abelard E.

Wentworth, Edward E.

Willard, Edward E.

Wood, Alva S.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ames, Butler	Messrs. Newton, Phinehas S.
Blood, Charles H.	Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.
Briggs, Clarence A.	Paton, Alexander S.
Bugbee, Nelson A.	Persons, Charles H.
Crosby, Alfred R.	Pike, William T.
Dean, Benjamin C.	Ramsdell, Charles H.
Dean, George Z.	Ross, Leonard W.
Donovan, James H.	Russell, Arthur P.
Dumond, John B.	Salter, William R.
Eddy, Curtis	Sands, Edward P.
Farwell, Frederick W.	Saunders, Charles R.
Gilpatric, Fred C.	Schofield, William
Harlow, Franklin P.	Sheppard, Eben W.
Harriman, Charles H.	Smith, Charles G.
Henderson, Francis D.	Spooner, Wallace
Keith, Charles P.	Sprague, Eugene H.
Learoyd, Addison P.	Stone, Silas A.
Litchfield, William C.	Turner, Henry E.
Luce, Robert	Varney, George E.
Marchant, Charles S.	Wallace, S. Ives
McCarthy, Jeremiah J.	Weston, Walter S.
Miller, Calvin S.	Whall, Harry B.
Miller, Charles H.	Wheeler, William D.
Mills, Charles P.	Whelan, John B.
Neal, David	White, Horace C.
Newton, H. Huestis	

88 yeas ; 51 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Bridgeo, William *	Messrs. Foster, Frank A.
Grant, Oliver S.	Conwell, Robert E.*
Marchesseault, Eugene D.*	Stewart, Joseph I.
Hopewell, William	Porter, Thomas F.*
Mackey, Thomas	Fitzgerald, William T. A.*

* Present.

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the service of process in the collection of taxes (House, No. 1152) was considered, the question being on concurring with the Senate in amend-

ments to section 1, inserting after the word "estate," in line 19, the words "during the month of January of any year;" and inserting after the word "lies," in line 21, the words "and also causes to be delivered to the collector of taxes of such city or town."

Mr. Myers of Cambridge moved to amend the amendments by inserting after the word "delivered," the words "during said month of January."

After debate the amendment to the amendments was adopted, the House concurred with the Senate in the amendments, as amended, and the bill was sent up for concurrence in the amendment to the amendments.

The House refused to concur with the Senate in its amendments to the House Bill relative to the inspection of gas and gas meters (House, No. 1038), and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill relative to suits to quiet the title to real estate (House, No. 579) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) was read a third time.

Mr. Stone of Springfield moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 1204), which was read and substituted and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, at three minutes before twelve o'clock, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, May 22, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past twelve o'clock P.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Hour of Meeting.

Hour of
meeting.

On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, —
Voted, That when the House adjourns to-day it be to meet to-morrow at two o'clock P.M.

Introduced on Leave.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
soliciting
orders.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, a Bill relative to soliciting orders for intoxicating liquors. The bill having been read, Mr. Stone of Springfield moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Petitions Presented.

City of Boston,
— repayment
of sewer taxes.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, petition of J. J. McCarthy for legislation to provide for the repayment of sewer taxes unlawfully collected by the city of Boston under chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1897. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

City of
Cambridge;
Proprietors of
the Cemetery
of Mount
Auburn.

By Mr. Skinner of Watertown, petition of Henry R. Skinner for legislation to extend the time within which the city of Cambridge may take certain land of the Proprietors of the Cemetery of Mount Auburn. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

City of Boston,
— streets and
lands adjacent
to parks and
boulevards.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 350) of the board of park commissioners of the city of Boston for

legislation relative to streets and lands in the neighborhood of parks, parkways and boulevards in the city of Boston ;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 803) of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for legislation to authorize said city to extend and lay out Thorndike street across the Boston and Albany Railroad at grade ; and

City of Cambridge, — Thorndike street grade crossing.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 175) of Frederick W. Dallinger that authority be granted the Cambridge Bridge Commission to construct an island or islands in Charles River, if necessary, to complete the construction of the new Cambridge bridge ;

Charles River, — new Cambridge bridge.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A Bill relative to the foreclosure of mortgages (Senate, No. 348) (new draft of a bill, Senate, No. 53, introduced on leave), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mortgages, — foreclosure.

A Bill to authorize the Holyoke Public Library to hold property to the amount of five hundred thousand dollars (Senate, No. 336) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Fisher of Amherst, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Holyoke Public Library.

The House Bill to authorize the town of Leominster to supply the inhabitants of the town of Lunenburg with water (House, No. 1065) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

Town of Leominster, — water supply for town of Lunenburg.

A Bill (introduced on leave) relative to statements required to be made to the Insurance Commissioner by insurance corporations doing business on the assessment plan (Senate, No. 349), referred by the Senate, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Insurance, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Insurance Commissioner, — statements by assessment insurance companies.

Notice was received of the rejection by the Senate of the following House bills:—

Railroads and
railways,—
injuries.

Bill relative to injuries received upon or about railroads and railways (House, No. 544); and

Railroad cars,—
platform gates.

Bill to require railroad companies to equip their cars with platform gates (House, No. 649).

Engineers.

Also that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the licensing of engineers (Senate, No. 98) had been referred by the Senate to the next General Court.

Committee on
Manufactures,
— persons and
papers.

Notice was also received of the rejection of the House order authorizing the committee on Manufactures to send for persons and papers in connection with its consideration of the fourteenth annual report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.

Reports of Committees.

City of
Cambridge,—
sewerage bonds.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of Daniel S. Coolidge for legislation to authorize the city of Cambridge to issue bonds for sewer purposes for the financial year commencing in 1898. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1207) was referred to the committee on Cities.

Intoxicating
liquors,—
soliciting
orders.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to soliciting orders for intoxicating liquors. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill (House, No. 1213) was referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Intoxicating
liquors.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of John B. Dumond for legislation relative to the correction of liquor laws. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Howland, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1206) was referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

City of
Taunton,—
water supply

By Mr. Whipple of Brockton, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in

the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the petition of the trustees of the Taunton Insane Hospital and the selectmen of the town of Raynham and others that the city of Taunton may be authorized to supply water in a certain part of said town. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Shaw of Raynham, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 339) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Water Supply.

for town of Raynham.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be not suspended on the Resolve (introduced on leave) to provide for printing additional copies of the report of the Adjutant-General for the year 1898. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCarthy, the House refused to suspend the 12th joint rule, and the resolve was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

Adjutant-General, — report for 1898.

By Mr. Powers of Malden, from the committee on Drainage, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1178) of the sewer commissioners of the town of Lexington for legislation relative to the sewerage system of said town. [Mr. Attwill, of the Senate, dissenting.] Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Town of Lexington, — sewerage system.

By Mr. Odlin of Andover, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1179), a Bill to authorize the town of Royalston to appropriate money for building a telephone line from Royalston to Phillipston. (House, No. 1209.) Read and ordered to a second reading. On motions of the same gentleman, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Town of Royalston, — telephone line to Phillipston.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Salem Seaman's Orphan and Children's Friend Society to become the guardian of minors. (House, No. 1170.)

Salem Seaman's Orphan and Children's Friend Society.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1127), a

Town of South Hadley, — annual meeting.

Bill to legalize and confirm certain proceedings of the town of South Hadley. (House, No. 1210.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading. On motions of Mr. Chapple, the rules were suspended, in each case, and the bills were severally read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Clarence W. Gallup, — justice of the peace.

By Mr. Haywood of Lynn, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on a petition, a Resolve to legalize and confirm the acts of Clarence W. Gallup as a justice of the peace. (House, No. 1144.)

Town of Melrose, — annual meeting.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to confirm and make valid the acts of the town of Melrose at its annual meeting in the current year (House, No. 1194) ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 1212.)

Severally read and ordered to a second reading. On motions of Mr. Haywood, the rules were suspended, in each case, and the resolve and bill were severally read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Town of Abington, — special meeting.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to legalize and confirm the proceedings of a special meeting of the town of Abington (House, No. 1199) ought to pass. On motions of Mr. Chapple, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Town of Canton, — water supply for Knollwood Cemetery.

By Mr. Williams of Foxborough, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1156), a Bill to authorize the town of Canton to supply Knollwood Cemetery with water. (House, No. 1208.) Read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Ross of Boston, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Trust companies.

By Mr. Henderson of Rowley, from the committee on Banks and Banking, that the engrossed Bill (recommitted) to prohibit the unauthorized transaction of business under the name of a trust company ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Bill relative to the business of trust companies." (House, No. 1214.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Wentworth of Cohasset, from the committee on Counties on the part of the House, that the Bill to establish the salary of the district attorney for the South-eastern District (printed as Senate, No. 21) ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

South-eastern District, — salary of district attorney.

By Mr. Haywood of Lynn, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Francis W. Sprague, 2d, and Harold W. Simonds. (House, No. 1195.) Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Francis W. Sprague, 2d, and Harold W. Simonds.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Davenport of Greenfield moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the Bill to provide for the payment of an allowance to families of certain persons not firemen but who are killed or fatally injured while doing fire duty (Senate, No. 16), which motion, after debate, was lost.

Allowance to families of persons killed or injured while doing fire duty.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Cullinane of Lawrence, the report of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 604) of Henry Abrahams for legislation to exempt labor organizations from certain provisions of the law relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations, was taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Fraternal beneficiary organizations, — labor organizations.

On further motion of the same gentleman, the Bill to allow labor organizations and trades unions to pay sick and death benefits (House, No. 447) was taken from the table, and was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Insurance, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Labor organizations and trades unions, — sick and death benefits.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to take, control and manage Nantasket Beach and adjacent lands and waters (House, No. 1201) was taken from the table and considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Metropolitan Park Commission, — Nantasket Beach.

Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston raised the following points of order: —

1. That the bill is beyond the scope of the petition

Points of order.

considered by the committee for the reason that it extends the metropolitan district, as defined by chapter 407 of the acts of the year 1893, by including the town of Cohasset.

2. That the bill accompanying the petition specifically provides for the taking of private property according to the provisions of chapter 407 of the acts of the year 1893, while the bill before the House changes the method of acquiring said property, and is therefore beyond the scope of the original petition and bill.

3. That the provision of the bill which provides that "no licenses shall be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in any buildings or places within four hundred feet of that portion of Nantasket Beach taken under the provisions of this act," is not germane and is beyond the scope of the original bill and petition, as it incorporates new subject-matter not contemplated by the petitioners.

4. That the bill is improperly before the House for the reason that the original bill provides, in section 4, that "said scrip, certificates or bonds shall be issued and said sinking fund assessed and collected in accordance with the provisions of chapter 288 of the acts of the year 1894, and chapter 550 of the acts of the year 1896," while the bill before the House provides that such issuance, assessment and collection shall be in accordance with the provisions of chapter 283 of the acts of the year 1895 and chapter 550 of the acts of the year 1896.

5. That the bill, under the rules, is improperly before the House under the provisions of chapter 24 of the acts of the year 1885, as amended by chapter 302 of the acts of the year 1890, in that the original petition should have been filed in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth on or before the first day of January and should have been, prior to said filing, published once a week for three successive weeks in such newspaper or newspapers as the Secretary of the Commonwealth directed.

Pending the decision of the Chair on the points of order, the bill was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

Relative to the Fitchburg and Suburban Street Railway Company ;

To authorize sheriffs and constables to store property

removed by them from premises in the service of execution ;

To provide for repairing certain highways and bridges in the town of Scituate ;

Relative to an additional water supply for the Medfield Insane Asylum ;

To exempt certain trades unions from the laws relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations ;

To legalize and confirm certain proceedings of the town of Middlefield ;

To legalize and confirm certain proceedings of the town of Sutton ;

To legalize and confirm certain proceedings of the town of Huntington ;

To legalize and confirm certain proceedings of the town of Southwick ;

To legalize and confirm certain proceedings of the town of Becket ;

Relative to certain grade crossings in the cities of Cambridge and Boston ;

To provide compensation for the Metropolitan Park Commissioners ;

Relative to the construction of a boulevard from the town of Dedham to the Stony Brook Reservation in the town of Hyde Park ;

Relative to the employment of minors ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To extend civil service exemption to veterans of the war with Spain ;

To authorize the county of Suffolk to pay a sum of money to S. Alice Osborne ;

To provide for the payment of an allowance to families of certain persons not firemen but who are killed or fatally injured while doing fire duty ;

To extend the time for completing and operating the Millbury, Sutton and Douglas Railroad ; and

To incorporate the Berkshire and Canaan Street Railway Company ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

To amend a resolve of the current year granting a county tax for the county of Worcester ; and

Resolve passed.

To amend a resolve of the current year granting a county tax for the county of Hampden ;
 (Which severally originated in the House) ;
 Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

City of Boston,
 — sewerage
 works.

On motion of Mr. Russell of Boston, the Bill relative to the sewerage works of the city of Boston (House, No. 1168) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, by a vote of 93 to 1.

Pending the question on concurring with the Senate in certain amendments, the bill was recommitted to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, moved by the same gentleman, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Orders of the
 day.

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the father of Thomas L. Rourke (House, No. 1025) ;
 and

Relative to the establishment of highways in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 340) ; and

The Resolve providing for a commission to investigate into the necessity for additional legislation relative to the method of supporting public schools (House, No. 1205) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve to provide for certain surveys by the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners (House, No. 1203) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to enable the city council of the city of Boston to obtain information in certain cases (House, No. 1189) was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in lines 13 and 14, the words " committee consisting of five members of the branch so petitioning," and inserting in place thereof the word " commissioner ;" by striking out, in line 19, the word " shall," and inserting in place thereof the word " may ;" and by

striking out, in the same line, the word "committee," and inserting in place thereof the word "commissioner."

Mr. Brigham of Marlborough moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 1211).

Mr. James H. Donovan of Boston moved to amend the bill proposed as a substitute by striking out, in line 2, the words "the city of Boston," and inserting in place thereof the words "any city."

After debate the amendments moved by Messrs. Fitzgerald and Donovan were severally rejected.

The bill moved by Mr. Brigham was substituted and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Ways and Means, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 806) of Helen L. Butterfield for legislation to provide for the payment of certain damages growing out of takings of the Metropolitan Park Commission, was considered.

Mr. Marden of Stoneham moved to amend by striking out the words "petitioner have leave to withdraw," and inserting in place thereof the words "further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court."

After debate the amendment was adopted and the report, as amended, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve to provide for the survey of forest lands and waste unused areas of the Commonwealth (printed as House, No. 124) was considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Hawes of Weymouth, was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to regulate the use and provide for the inspection of electric meters (House, No. 998) was considered, and after debate was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by a vote of 75 to 18.

The Resolve in favor of certain veterans of the town of Stoneham (House, No. 1202) was considered, and after debate the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Marden of Stoneham, and the roll being called

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the House refused to refer the resolve to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, and it was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The vote was 52 yeas to 108 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles H.	Messrs. McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
Ames, Butler	McIsaac, Daniel V.
Bartlett, Edwin	McLoughlin, William I.
Carleton, George H.	Mellen, James H.
Chadwick, N. Henry	Miller, Calvin S.
Chase, Henry L.	Miller, Charles H.
Cole, Samuel	Myers, James J.
Corey, Charles V.	Paton, Alexander S.
Crosby, Alfred R.	Porter, Thomas F.
Dalton, J. Frank	Puffer, Herbert C.
Davenport, William A.	Ramsdell, Charles H.
Dean, Benjamin C.	Robinson, Lewis D.
Dean, George Z.	Root, Albert B.
Drake, Frederic P.	Sands, Edward P.
Dumond, John B.	Saunders, Charles R.
Ellsworth, J. Lewis	Schofield, William
Fisher, George E.	Shaw, Nathan W.
Folsom, Albert T.	Sheppard, Eben W.
Haywood, Charles E.	Simmons, Arthur A.
Heath, Guilford P.	Smith, Allen F.
Hopewell, William	Stanley, Benjamin F.
Lanergan, John P.	Stone, Willmore B.
Leland, Francis	Swift, William S.
Lombard, Edward M.	Tatman, Charles T.
Luce, Robert	Toomey, John J.
Mackey, Thomas	Watson, Walter S.

NAYS.

Messrs. Andrews, David B.	Messrs. Clerke, Charles S.
Balcom, George	Conwell, Robert E.
Battles, David W.	Coolidge, Daniel S.
Bleiler, John	Crosby, J. Howell
Bresnahan, Hugh W.	Crouch, Charles S.
Bridgeo, William	Cullinane, Richard
Briggs, Clarence A.	Daly, William
Brigham, William M.	Davis, Daniel W.
Brooks, Charles C.	Davis, William B.
Brown, Henry L.	Dean, Charles A.
Brown, Willard M.	Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
Bugbee, Nelson A.	Dillon, Thomas J.
Burrington, Lester L.	Donovan, Eugene E.
Chandler, Leonard B.	Donovan, Michael J.

Messrs. Dooling, Thomas J.	Messrs. Marchesseault, Eugene D.
Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d	Marden, William H.
Dudley, George J.	McCarthy, Jeremiah F.
Dyer, George N.	Minihan, Cornelius
Eddy, Curtis	Minton, John M.
Estes, Eugene B.	Moore, James S.
Fitzgerald, William T. A.	Morse, Merrick A.
Flanagan, John J.	Munroe, John P.
Foster, Frank A.	Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
Francis, Frank W.	Neal, David
Gaddis, Michael E.	Newton, H. Huestis
Gartland, John J., Jr.	Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.
Gilpatric, Fred C.	Odlin, William
Goulding, Albert M.	Pike, William T.
Green, Thomas H.	Prindle, John F.
Hagberg, John G.	Queeney, James H.
Hancock, Portus B.	Reed, Silas D.
Harlow, Franklin P.	Rounseville, Albert
Harvell, Elisha T.	Salter, William R.
Harvie, Robert B.	Spooner, Wallace
Hawes, Martin E.	Sprague, Eugene H.
Henderson, Francis D.	Stalker, Hugh L.
Howard, Robert	Stewart, Joseph I.
Howland, Charles W.	Stone, Silas A.
Hunt, James	Sullivan, Michael J.
Jones, Michael B.	Sullivan, Timothy F.
Kane, Daniel J.	Turtle, William
Kavanaugh, John E.	Twomey, Edmund J.
King, Charles F.	Varney, George E.
King, Randolph V.	Wallace, S. Ives
Kyle, William S.	Wells, Abelard E.
Leslie, George F.	Weston, Walter S.
Litchfield, James A.	Whall, Harry B.
Litchfield, William C.	Wheeler, William D.
Lomasney, Martin M.	Whelan, John B.
Love, Joseph P.	Whipple, John J.
Lowe, John H.	White, Horace C.
Mahoney, David A.	Willard, Edward E.
Mansfield, Matthew M.	Williams, George F.
Marchant, Charles S.	Wood, Alva S.

52 yeas ; 108 nays.

PAIR.

The following pair was announced : —

YEA.	NAY.
Mr. Frank E. Fitts.*	Mr. William H. I. Hayes.

* Present.

The Bill to authorize a State appropriation for the support of public schools (House, No. 1069) was considered, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Dudley of Sutton, was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by a vote of 69 to 50.

Mr. Newton of Everett raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 127 members were present.

The Bill relative to the laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 324) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Gilpatric of Boston moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in line 12, the words "five hundred," and inserting in place thereof the words "six hundred and fifty;" and by striking out, in line 22, the words "three hundred and fifty" (previously inserted by amendment), and inserting in place thereof the words "five hundred."

Mr. Sands of Boston moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in line 19, the word "six," and inserting in place thereof the word "three;" and by adding at the end of the section the words "and in those wards in Boston not already provided for, sums not exceeding in the aggregate three hundred thousand dollars."

Mr. McIsaac of Boston moved to amend by adding at the end of section 1 the words "and in that part of the city of Boston known as South Boston, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars for the purpose of widening Dorchester street from Eighth street to Dorchester avenue."

Point of order.

Mr. Lanergan of Boston raised the point of order that the amendment moved by Mr. McIsaac was beyond the scope of the subject-matter considered by the committee.

The Speaker ruled that the point of order was not well taken.

Pending the amendments and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence,

On motion of Mr. Clerke of Boston, at three minutes before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 23, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and stated that Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston had been appointed to preside. Mr. McCarthy accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by Reverend John A. Hamilton of Newton.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court :

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 148) of the mayor of the city of Boston that the building at the corner of St. James Avenue and Trinity Place in said city may be maintained at the height at which it is at present erected [Messrs. Hayes of Lowell, Chadwick of Newton, Donovan of Taunton, Ainsworth of Fall River and Brown of North Adams, of the House, dissenting] ; and

City of Boston,
— height of
building at
corner of St.
James Avenue
and Trinity
Place.

On the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 767) of J. Henry Brooks for legislation to ratify and confirm certain action of the board of park commissioners of the city of Boston [Messrs. Hayes of Lowell, Chadwick of Newton, Donovan of Taunton, Ainsworth of Fall River and Brown of North Adams, of the House, dissenting] ;

City of Boston,
— board of park
commissioners.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

The House Bill to regulate the width of tires on draft wagons (House, No. 1184) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House non-concurred.

Draft
wagons,—
width of tires.

On motion of Mr. Salter of Lynn, the House asked for a committee of conference. Messrs. Salter of Lynn, Reed of Taunton and Crosby of Arlington were appointed the committee on the part of the House, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Committee of
conference, —
inspection of
gas and gas
meters.

The House Bill relative to the inspection of gas and gas meters (House, No. 1038) came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendments, asked for a committee of conference, and that Messrs. Joy, Putnam and Maxwell had been appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, the House insisted on its non-concurrence and concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference. Messrs. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, Smith of Waltham and Robinson of Springfield were appointed the committee on the part of the House, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

City of Boston,
— Cove street
extension.

The House Bill to provide for the extension of Atlantic avenue, formerly Cove street, in the city of Boston (House, No. 1124) came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendments.

On motion of Mr. Bresnahan of Boston, the House insisted on its non-concurrence and asked for a committee of conference. Messrs. Bresnahan of Boston, Mellen of Worcester and Newton of Everett were appointed the committee on the part of the House, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Corporations, —
use of streets.

The Senate Bill relative to the use of streets by corporations (Senate, No. 200) came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its non-concurrence in the House amendments, concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference, and that Messrs. Chamberlain, McClellan and Leach had been appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the Metropolitan Park Commission ;

To authorize the city of Somerville to acquire and lay out certain land for a public park ;

To increase the amount of money to be placed at the disposal of the Metropolitan Park Commission for general purposes ;

Making an appropriation for expenses in connection with the extermination of contagious diseases among horses, cattle and other animals ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To provide for the simplification of criminal pleadings (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of Rhoda Rosella Grant (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

Discharged from the Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. Langford of Newton, the Bill to authorize the town of Leominster to supply the inhabitants of the town of Lunenburg with water (House, No. 1065) was discharged from the orders of the day and considered, under a suspension of the rule. The House concurred with the Senate in its amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly. Town of Leominster, — water supply for town of Lunenburg.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 350) of the board of park commissioners of the city of Boston for legislation relative to streets and lands in the neighborhood of parks, parkways and boulevards in the city of Boston ; Orders of the day.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 803) of the mayor of the city of Cambridge for legislation to authorize said city to extend and lay out Thorn-dike street across the Boston and Albany Railroad at grade ; and

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 175) of Frederick W. Dallinger that authority be granted the Cambridge Bridge Commission to construct an island or islands in Charles River, if necessary, to complete the construction of the new Cambridge bridge ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to the business of trust companies (House, No. 1214) ; and

To establish the salary of the district attorney for the South-eastern District (printed as Senate, No. 21) ; and

The Resolve in favor of certain veterans of the town of Stoneham (House, No. 1202) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the father of Thomas L. Rourke (House, No. 1025) ; and

The Resolve providing for a commission to investigate the necessity for additional legislation relative to the method of supporting public schools (House, No. 1205) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Holyoke Public Library to hold property to the amount of five hundred thousand dollars (Senate, No. 336) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 324), being the unfinished business of yesterday, was further considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr. Lanergan of Boston moved to amend section 1 by inserting after the word "dollars," in line 25, the words "provided that one hundred and fifty thousand dollars of said sum be expended for the widening and construction of Hampden street in said district."

After debate Mr. Simmons of Grafton moved the previous question, which motion was adopted, by a vote of 61 to 33.

The amendments previously moved by Mr. Gilpatric of Boston were adopted.

The amendment moved by Mr. Lanergan was rejected, by a vote of 12 to 66.

The amendments previously moved by Messrs. McIsaac of Boston and Sands of Boston were severally rejected.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and was sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

The Bill imposing a tax on legacies, successions and

certain other transfers and providing for the distribution of the proceeds of the same (House, No. 519) was read a second time and considered.

Mr. Dean of Wakefield moved to amend as follows:—

In section 1, by striking out all after the word “above,” in line 55;

By striking out section 18 and inserting in place thereof the following: “*Section 18.* But this act shall not in any way affect the assessment or collection of any tax made or imposed under the provisions of chapter four hundred and twenty-five of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-one, and acts in amendment thereof, or any of the provisions of said acts, and no tax shall be laid under this act upon the transfer of any property or interest therein taxable under said acts;” and

In section 19, by striking out, in lines 1 and 2, the words “July first, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine,” and inserting in place thereof the words “upon its passage.”

Pending the amendments and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Saunders of Boston moved that it be postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, which motion, after debate, was lost.

Mr. Chandler of Somerville moved the previous question, which motion, after debate, was lost.

Mr. Fitts of Somerville moved to amend by inserting after section 17 the following new section: “*Section 18.* This act shall not apply to any estate the valuation of which is less than twenty-five thousand dollars.”

After further debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Keyou of Medford, the amendments moved by Mr. Dean were adopted.

On the question on the adoption of the amendment moved by Mr. Fitts, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Adams of Melrose, and the roll being called the amendment was rejected, by a vote of 67 yeas to 77 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles H.
Andrews, David B.
Apsey, Albert S.
Briggs, Clarence A.
Brown, Henry L.
Burgess, Albert H.
Carleton, George H.

Messrs. Chadwick, N. Henry
Cole, Samuel
Conwell, Robert E.
Corey, Charles V.
Crosby, J. Howell
Dean, Benjamin C.
Dyer, George N.

Messrs. Eddy, Curtis
 Ellsworth, J. Lewis
 Farwell, Frederick W.
 Fisher, George E.
 Fitts, Frank E.
 Folsom, Albert T.
 Goulding, Albert M.
 Grimes, James W.
 Harvie, Robert B.
 Harwood, Herbert J.
 Hawes, Martin E.
 Hayes, William H. I.
 Henderson, Francis D.
 Hooper, Franklin K.
 Judd, William E.
 King, Randolph V.
 Kyle, William S.
 Langford, John T.
 Leland, Francis
 Leslie, George F.
 Libby, John F.
 Litchfield, James A.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
 Mead, Edward C.
 Miller, Calvin S.
 Miller, Charles H.
 Mills, Charles P.

Messrs. Morse, Merrick A.
 Myers, James J.
 Neal, David
 Parker, William C.
 Paton, Alexander S.
 Porter, Thomas F.
 Reed, Silas D.
 Robinson, Lewis D.
 Rounseville, Albert
 Saunders, Charles R.
 Selfridge, George S.
 Shaw, Nathan W.
 Sheppard, Eben W.
 Simmons, Arthur A.
 Smith, Allen F.
 Smith, Charles G.
 Stalker, Hugh L.
 Stanley, Benjamin F.
 Stone, Willmore B.
 Tatman, Charles T.
 Trow, Charles E.
 Watson, Walter S.
 Wheeler, William D.
 White, Horace C.
 Williams, George F.
 Wood, Alva S.

NAYS.

Messrs. Balcom, George
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Bresnahan, Hugh W.
 Bridgeo, William
 Brigham, William M.
 Brown, Willard M.
 Bugbee, Nelson A.
 Burrington, Lester L.
 Bushnell, S. Hopkins
 Carey, James F.
 Chandler, Leonard B.
 Crouch, Charles S.
 Cullinane, Richard
 Daly, William
 Davis, William R.
 Dean, Charles A.
 Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
 Dillon, Thomas J.
 Donahue, Thomas
 Donovan, Edward J.
 Donovan, Eugene E.

Messrs. Donovan, James H.
 Dooling, Thomas J.
 Douglass, John J.
 Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
 Estes, Eugene B.
 Feiker, William H.
 Flanagan, John J.
 Francis, Frank W.
 Gartland, John J., Jr.
 Grant, Oliver S.
 Hagberg, John G.
 Harlow, Franklin P.
 Heath, Guilford P.
 Horton, Henry T.
 Hunt, James
 Kane, Daniel J.
 Keith, Charles P.
 Keyou, Nicholas B.
 Lanergan, John P.
 Learoyd, Addison P.
 Lombard, Edward M.

Messrs. Luce, Robert	Messrs. Quigley, William J.
Mackey, Thomas	Ramsdell, Charles H.
Mahoney, David A.	Root, Albert B.
Mansfield, Matthew M.	Salter, William R.
Marchesseault, Eugene D.	Scates, Louis M.
Marden, William H.	Severance, Joseph C.
McLoughlin, William I.	Skinner, Henry R.
Mellen, James H.	Sparks, John T.
Minihan, Cornelius	Sprague, Eugene H.
Minton, John M.	Sullivan, Michael J.
Montgomery, James A.	Swift, William S.
Moore, James S.	Tolman, William
Munroe, John P.	Twombly, Horatio F.
Newton, H. Huestis	Twomey, Edmund J.
Newton, Phineas S.	Varney, George E.
Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.	Wallace, S. Ives
Persons, Charles H.	Willard, Edward E.
Prindle, John F.	

67 yeas ; 77 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Sands, Edward P.*	Messrs. Sullivan, Timothy F.
Clerke, Charles S.*	Odlin, William
Ross, Leonard W.	Queeney, James H.*
Smith, Charles F. A.*	Love, Joseph P.
Wentworth, Edward E.*	Hopewell, William
Coolidge, Daniel S.*	Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
Adams, Austin F.*	Fitzgerald, William T. A.
Cook, Clifford A.*	Ross, Samuel
Stone, Silas A.*	King, Charles F.

* Present.

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on Drainage, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House No. 1178) of the sewer commissioners of the town of Lexington for legislation relative to the sewerage system of said town, was considered.

Mr. Crosby of Arlington moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill relative to the sewerage system of the town of Lexington " (House, No. 1178).

After debate the bill was substituted, and having been

read was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow morning for a second reading.

The Bill relative to the foreclosure of mortgages (Senate, No. 348) was read a second time, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Judd of Holyoke, the House refused to order the bill to a third reading, and notice of its rejection was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to authorize the town of Canton to supply Knollwood Cemetery with water (House, No. 1208) was read a third time.

Mr. Stone of Sharon moved to amend section 1 by inserting after the word "Commonwealth," in line 7, the words "for a period not exceeding fifteen years from the passage of this act."

The amendment was adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Boston, at one minute before five o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 24, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at ten o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill making an appropriation for the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Bill to provide for the survey and improvement of harbors and for repairing damages occasioned by storms along the coast-line or river banks of the Commonwealth." (House, No. 1215.) Read and ordered to a second reading. On motions of Mr. Nickerson of Harwich, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Harbor and Land Commissioners, — surveys, improvements and repairs.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 190) of J. C. Bennett and others for legislation providing for the construction of a State highway from Boston to Lynn, and providing for the construction of such channels or structures over tide waters as may be necessary, accepted by the Senate, was read and was accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston.

State highway between Lynn and Boston.

A report of the committee of conference to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill relative to fraternal beneficiary corporations (House, No. 1118), recommending that the Senate recede from its amendment in section 6, striking out, in line 19, the word "an" (inserted by amendment by the House), and inserting in place thereof the words "a legislative or" (stricken out by amendment by the House); and that the House recede from its non-concurrence in the Senate amendment in section

Committee of conference, — fraternal beneficiary corporations.

17 (substituted by amendment by the House), striking out the word "organization," and inserting in place thereof the word "corporation," and concur therein,—accepted by the Senate, was read and was accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Newton of Everett.

City of Boston,
—finances.

The House Bill relative to the finances of the city of Boston (House, No. 1169) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Resolve Passed.

Resolve
passed.

An engrossed Resolve relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the International Exposition at Paris (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court :

Orders of the
day.

On the petition (with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 148) of the mayor of the city of Boston that the building at the corner of St. James Avenue and Trinity Place in said city may be maintained at the height at which it is at present erected ; and

On the petition (with accompanying resolve, House, No. 767) of J. Henry Brooks for legislation to ratify and confirm certain action of the board of park commissioners of the city of Boston ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the business of trust companies (House, No. 1214) ; and

The Resolve in favor of certain veterans of the town of Stoneham (House, No. 1202) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the establishment of highways in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 340) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill imposing a tax on legacies, successions and certain other transfers and providing for the distribution of the proceeds of the same (House, No. 519) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Dean of Wakefield moved to amend by adding at the end of section 16 the words "the same to be used exclusively for the support of the public schools of said cities and towns."

After debate the amendment was adopted, by a vote of 65 to 13, and the bill, as amended (House, No. 1216), was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to increase the salary of the district attorney for the South-eastern District (printed as Senate, No. 21) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) was read a third time and considered.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Porter of Lynn moved that it be postponed for further consideration until to-morrow morning, which motion, after debate, was lost.

Mr. Porter moved to amend section 1 by striking out, in line 4, the words "three thousand," and inserting in place thereof the words "twenty-five hundred."

After debate the amendment was rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to the sewerage system of the town of Lexington (House, No. 1178) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Crosby of Arlington moved to amend by striking out section 10 and inserting in place thereof the following: "*Section 10.* This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by vote of two-thirds of the legal voters of said town present and voting thereon at a legal meeting called for that purpose, a copy of the act to be mailed to each voter with the warrant for such meeting. The return of the officer serving the warrant shall be conclusive evidence of the fact that such copies have been duly mailed. Said town may elect sinking fund commissioners, vote to incur indebtedness and issue notes, scrip or bonds under said chapter five hundred and four as amended hereby, at the same meeting at which this act shall have been accepted."

The amendment was adopted and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading. On further motions of

Mr. Crosby, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Death of a Member Announced.

Death of
Representative
Andrew
Campbell.

Mr. Robinson of Springfield announced the death of Mr. Andrew Campbell of Westfield, a member of the House from the Ninth Hampden Representative District, and moved that a committee of eleven members of the House be appointed to attend the funeral and to prepare suitable resolutions in honor of the deceased.

The motion was unanimously adopted by a rising vote, and the Speaker appointed the following-named members as the committee : Messrs. Robinson of Springfield, Dewey of Westfield, Marden of Stoneham, Davis of Amesbury, Litchfield of Middleborough, Goulding of Duxbury, Cullinane of Lawrence, Balcom of Marlborough, Judd of Holyoke, Smith of Dover and Dean of Cheshire.

Mr. Robinson moved, as a further mark of respect, that the House adjourn until ten o'clock to-morrow morning, which motion was unanimously adopted by a rising vote, and accordingly, at three minutes before eleven o'clock, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 25, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at ten o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report.

A report of the Commissioners on the Topographical Survey, relative to the boundary line between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the State of Rhode Island, was received and was referred to the committee on Federal Relations and sent up for concurrence.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts and State of Rhode Island, — boundary line.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Crosby of Arlington, a Bill to amend an act of the current year authorizing the town of Arlington to refund a part of its indebtedness. The bill having been read, the same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Town of Arlington, — indebtedness.

Petition Presented.

By Mr. Howland of Chelsea, petition of Willard Howland for legislation to extend the charter of the Barnstable County Street Railway Company. Mr. Stone of Springfield moved that the 12th and 9th joint rules be suspended, which motions were referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Barnstable County Street Railway Company.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry C. Attwill for legislation to extend the provisions of chapter 561 of the Acts of the year 1898 to all persons who entered the military or naval service of the United States for the purpose of taking part in the war with the kingdom of Spain, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for this afternoon.

Soldiers and sailors, — civil service exemption.

A Bill to incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company (Senate, No. 331) (reported on a

Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company.

petition, with accompanying bill, House, No. 252) [Mr. Luscombe, of the Senate, and Messrs. Crosby of Barnstable and Nickerson of Harwich, of the House, dissenting], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Manufacturers' Trust Company.

A Bill to authorize the changing of the location of the Manufacturers' Trust Company (Senate, No. 350) (reported on a petition, recommitted, with accompanying bill, House, No. 487) [Mr. Henderson of Rowley, of the House, dissenting], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Judd of Holyoke, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Swan Dale Cemetery Association.

A Bill to incorporate the Swan Dale Cemetery Association (printed as House, No. 1185) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Myers of Cambridge, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Committee of conference; city of Boston, — Cove street extension.

The House Bill to provide for the extension of Atlantic avenue, formerly Cove street, in the city of Boston, (House, No. 1124) came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendments, concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference, and that Messrs. Harwood, Kenefick and Reynolds had been appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

Committee of conference, — width of tires on draft wagons.

The House Bill to regulate the width of tires on draft wagons (House, No. 1184) came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendment, concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference, and that Messrs. McClellan, Gleason and Donovan had been appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

Northfield Bridge.

The House Bill relative to the Northfield Bridge (House, No. 1108) (its title having been changed by the Senate) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Dean of Cheshire, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

City of Worcester, — sewer assessments on property of the Commonwealth.

The House Resolve to authorize the payment of sewer assessments on property of the Commonwealth in the city of Worcester (House, No. 412) (its title having been

changed by the Senate) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Placed in the orders of the day for this afternoon, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

The House Bill relative to the protection of shade trees Shade trees. (House, No. 826) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for this afternoon, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Newton of Everett, from the committee of conference to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches on the Senate Bill relative to the use of streets by corporations (Senate, No. 200), recommending that the Senate recede from its non-concurrence in the House amendment and concur therein, and that the bill be further amended as follows: In section 1, as printed, strike out all after the words "*Section 1*," in line 1, down to and including the word "companies," in line 12; and in lines 16 to 21, inclusive, strike out the words "corporations organized for the purpose of transporting the United States mail, merchandise and other articles by means of pneumatic pressure or power, and corporations organized for either or both of the purposes mentioned in section eleven." Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Newton, and sent up for concurrence. Committee of conference, — use of streets by corporations.

By Mr. Russell of Boston, from the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, to whom was recommitted the House Bill relative to the sewerage works of the city of Boston (House, No. 1168), that the House should concur with the Senate in its amendments, with an amendment, striking out the section 4 inserted by the Senate and inserting in place thereof the following: — City of Boston, — sewerage works.

"*Section 4.* All votes heretofore passed by the city council or by the board of estimate and apportionment of the city of Boston under the provisions of chapter four hundred and twenty-six of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and of chapter two hundred and fifty-seven of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, authorizing the issue of bonds of said

city for the construction of sewerage works, are hereby ratified and confirmed; and all bonds heretofore or hereafter issued as authorized by said votes, shall be legal obligations of said city, and the interest and sinking fund requirements thereof shall be paid from the income and taxes of said city. The treasurer of said city, upon request of the mayor, shall issue bonds of said city outside the debt limit thereof, payable in five years from their date, to the amount required to repay all sewerage charges collected by said city under the provisions of section seven of chapter four hundred and twenty-six of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, prior to the date hereof, and use the proceeds of such bonds to repay said sewerage charges, and for no other purpose. The mayor of said city may authorize the transfer of any loans or parts of any loans heretofore made or authorized, and not required to meet any contract, except loans for sewerage works, water works or subways, to an amount not exceeding three hundred and fifty thousand dollars, to meet the expenses of operating and maintaining said sewerage works until the first day of February in the year nineteen hundred, and the treasurer of said city shall thereupon hold the proceeds of the loans or parts of the loans so authorized, and use the same to meet said expenses. The board of assessors of said city shall include in their assessment of taxes, tax lists and warrants for the current year, in addition to the amounts already authorized to be inserted therein, the further sum of one hundred and twenty-two thousand six hundred and sixty-nine dollars and eighty-eight cents, to meet the interest and sinking fund requirements for the current year of the bonds for the construction of sewerage works, issued prior to said first day of February."

On motion of Mr. Russell, the rule was suspended, the amendment recommended by the committee on Metropolitan Affairs was adopted, the House concurred in the Senate amendments, as amended, and the bill was sent up for concurrence in the amendment to the amendments.

Francis W.
Sprague, 2d,
and Harold W.
Simonds.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Resolve in favor of Francis W. Sprague, 2d, and Harold W. Simonds (House, No. 1195) ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Bennett, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of Henry R. Skinner for legislation to extend the time within which the city of Cambridge may take certain land of the Proprietors of the Cemetery of Mount Auburn. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1219) was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

City of Cambridge;
Proprietors of
the Cemetery
of Mount
Auburn.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the petition of J. J. McCarthy for legislation to provide for the repayment of sewer taxes unlawfully collected by the city of Boston under chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1897. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCarthy, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1218) was referred to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

City of Boston,
— repayment of
sewer taxes.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th and 9th joint rules be suspended on the petition of Willard Howland for legislation to extend the charter of the Barnstable County Street Railway Company. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 12th and 9th joint rules were severally suspended, and the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1220) was referred to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Barnstable
County Street
Railway Com-
pany.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Bill (introduced on leave) to amend an act of the current year authorizing the town of Arlington to refund a part of its indebtedness. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Crosby of Arlington, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the bill (House, No. 1217) was referred to the committee on Towns.

Town of
Arlington, —
indebtedness.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to statements required to be made to the Insurance Commissioner by insurance corporations

Insurance Com-
missioner, —
statements by
assessment
insurance
companies.

doing business on the assessment plan. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the bill (Senate, No. 349) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Insurance.

**"Massachusetts
in the Army
and Navy."**

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be not suspended on the Resolve (introduced on leave) to provide for the distribution of copies of the book entitled "Massachusetts in the Army and Navy." Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the House refused to suspend the 12th joint rule, and the resolve was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

Taken from the Table.

**Metropolitan
Park Commission,
— Nantasket Beach.**

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to take, control and manage Nantasket Beach and adjacent lands and waters (House, No. 1201) was taken from the table and was considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Ramsdell of Lynn moved a suspension of the order limiting speeches to ten minutes each, which motion was lost, by a vote of 38 to 45.

On the points of order previously raised by Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston, the Speaker ruled as follows:—

**Ruling by the
Speaker.**

As to the first point of order raised by Mr. Donovan, that the bill reported by the committee is beyond the scope of the petition, because it extends the Metropolitan District so as to include the town of Cohasset, the Chair is of the opinion that the point of order is not well taken. The petition asks for the taking of Nantasket Beach by the Metropolitan Park Commission, or other public authority, and leaves it for the Legislature to provide for the payment in such way as it may see fit. Under such a broad petition, it is clearly within the power of the committee to report a bill that shall make the town of Cohasset one of the towns to eventually pay the expense of the taking. Incidental to this first point of order, the Chair understands that Mr. Donovan also raised the point that the including of the town of Cohasset in the bill was in violation of Joint Rule 8, which provides that "no legislation affecting the rights of individuals . . . otherwise than as it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth, or of the people of the city or town to which

it specifically applies, shall be proposed," etc. The Chair is of the opinion that this point also is not well taken, as the legislation contemplated by this bill affects the rights of individuals, that is, the taxpayers of Cohasset, only as it affects "generally the people of the city or town to which it specifically applies." That is, the legislation embodied in the bill is within the exception expressly provided for in Joint Rule 8.

As to the second point of order printed in the calendar, the Chair rules that the point of order is not well taken, for the reason that the committee had the right to report any bill that was within the scope of the original petition, whether or not it was within the scope of the bill accompanying the petition. The petition asks that the property be taken, and leaves it for the Legislature to designate the manner of taking.

The Chair also rules that the third point of order as printed in the calendar is also not well taken, for the reason that the restriction as to the granting of liquor licenses is incidental to the "taking for and developing as a public reservation" as prayed for in the petition. The committee have the right to include any regulations which are necessary for the development of the property taken as a public reservation, and this, too, whether or not the regulations applied to the property taken or adjoining property.

The Chair also rules that the point of order raised by the same member, printed in the calendar as number four, is not well taken, for the same reason that the point of order printed as number two in the calendar was ruled to be not well taken.

In number five, the member raises the point of order that the bill is improperly before the House, although within the scope of the petition, because it provides for building structures over navigable or tide waters, and under the rule should, therefore, have been advertised in accordance with the statutes. The Chair rules that this point also is not well taken. The only portion of the bill against which this point can be raised is section three, and the Chair is of the opinion that it would be an exceedingly narrow and forced construction of this section, to construe it as contemplating the granting of the right to build structures over navigable or tide waters. A reading of the bill and petition does not indicate the granting of such a right. If there is any doubt, it is the duty of the Chair to give the bill the benefit of the doubt; and

the Chair therefore rules that the points of order raised by Mr. Donovan of Boston are not well taken.

Mr. Donovan moved to amend the bill as follows:—

By striking out section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following: “*Section 1.* The Metropolitan Park Commission, in the name and for the benefit of the Commonwealth, may take, acquire, control and manage for the purposes and by the methods named in chapter four hundred and seven of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-three, Nantasket Beach, so called, in the town of Hull, and lands and adjacent waters and rights therein, and for this purpose may expend such sum as may be necessary in addition to the sums heretofore authorized to be expended by it;” and

In section 3, by striking out, in lines 9 to 12, inclusive, the words “No licenses shall be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquor in any buildings or place within four hundred feet of that portion of Nantasket Beach taken under the provisions of this act.”

Mr. Fitts of Somerville moved to amend by striking out all of section 4 after the word “bonds,” in line 4, and inserting in place thereof the words “on the same terms and time as the metropolitan park loan, said scrip and certificates to become a part of the bonded indebtedness of the Commonwealth.”

Mr. Hawes of Weymouth moved that the debate be closed at quarter before one o’clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached, which motion, after debate, was adopted.

After further debate the amendments moved by Mr. Donovan were severally rejected.

The amendment moved by Mr. Fitts was rejected, by a vote of 25 to 82.

Mr. Donovan raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 162 members were present.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 112 to 42.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

Relative to the service of process in the collection of taxes;

To authorize the town of Leominster to supply the inhabitants of the town of Lunenburg with water;

To provide for the construction of a high-level gravity sewer for the relief of the Charles and Neponset River valleys ;

To increase the amount of money to be placed at the disposal of the Metropolitan Park Commission for the construction of roadways and boulevards ;

To legalize and confirm the acts of the town of Melrose at its annual meeting in the current year ;

To authorize the Salem Seaman's Orphan and Children's Friend Society to become the guardian of minors ;

To authorize the town of Royalston to appropriate money for building a telephone line from Royalston to Phillipston ;

To legalize and confirm the proceedings of a special meeting of the town of Abington ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To authorize the Holyoke Public Library to hold property to the amount of five hundred thousand dollars (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In addition to a resolve to provide for building a practice school in connection with the State Normal School at Westfield ; and

To confirm the acts of Clarence W. Gallup as a justice of the peace ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

At one o'clock, under the standing order, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Petition Presented.

By Mr. Heath of Northborough, petition of the selectmen of the town of Northborough for legislation to provide for the payment of a sum of money to said town as

Town of Northborough, — compensation for damages from metro.

politan water
system.

a part of the expense of the construction of the metropolitan water system. Referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

City of Lowell,
— Proprietors
of the Locks
and Canals on
Merrimack
River.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lowell, the Bill to authorize the Proprietors of the Locks and Canals on Merrimack River to discontinue the Upper Free Landing in the city of Lowell was taken from the files of last year. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

Arlington Mills.

A Bill to incorporate the Arlington Mills (Senate, No. 338) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Kyle of Plymouth, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Town of Stone-
ham, — burial
ground.

A Bill to authorize the town of Stoneham to discontinue the use of certain land as a burial ground (printed as House, No. 1154) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Soldiers and
sailors, — State
pay and aid for
families.

A Bill to extend the provisions of law relative to State pay for soldiers and sailors in the volunteer service of the United States and for rendering aid to their families (Senate, No. 334) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, House, No. 103, and on a bill, House, No. 441, introduced on leave), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Equitable
process after
judgment.

The House Bill relative to equitable process after judgment in certain cases (House, No. 1172) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone of Springfield, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

A Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the improvement of Boston harbor (Senate, No. 351), referred by the Senate, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Boston harbor,
— improvement.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Dumond of Boston, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on a petition, a Bill relative to the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors. (House, No. 1206.) [Mr. Odlin of Andover, of the House, dissenting.] Read and ordered to a second reading. Mr. Dumond moved to suspend the rule that the bill might take a second reading, which motion was lost, by a vote of 50 to 42, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
number of
places licensed.

Motion to Take from the Table.

Mr. Newton of Everett moved to take from the table the report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 818) of Willard Howland for legislation to authorize the construction of a canal across Cape Cod by convict labor, which motion, after debate, was lost.

Cape Cod
canal, — con-
struction by
convict labor.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Lomasney of Boston, the Bill relative to the board of estimate and apportionment of the city of Boston (House, No. 1131) was taken from the table, and the House refused to order it to a third reading.

City of Boston,
— board of
estimate and
apportionment.

On motion of Mr. Kyle of Plymouth, the Bill to enlarge the powers of the Boston Letter Carriers' Mutual Benefit Association (Senate, No. 195) was taken from the table, and the House refused to pass the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, and notice of its rejection was sent to the Senate.

Boston Letter
Carriers'
Mutual Benefit
Association.

On motion of Mr. Luce of Somerville, the Bill relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations (House, No. 630) was taken from the table, and was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Insurance, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Fraternal bene-
ficiary organi-
zations.

*Bills Enacted.***Bills enacted.**

Engrossed bills :
 Relative to the Northfield Bridge ;
 Relative to the finances of the city of Boston ;
 (Which severally originated in the House) ;
 Relative to the establishment of highways in the city of Boston ; and
 Relative to the laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston ;
 (Which severally originated in the Senate) ;
 Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Motion to Discharge from the Orders of the Day.

Mr. Luce of Somerville moved to discharge from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, the Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to take, control and manage Nantasket Beach and adjacent lands and waters (House, No. 1201), which motion, after debate, was lost.

*Orders of the Day.***Orders of the day.**

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry C. Attwill for legislation to extend the provisions of chapter 561 of the Acts of the year 1898 to all persons who entered the military or naval service of the United States for the purpose of taking part in the war with the kingdom of Spain was accepted, in concurrence.

The House refused to concur with the Senate in its amendments to the House Bill relative to the protection of shade trees (House, No. 826). Subsequently, Mr. Chandler of Somerville moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House refused to concur with the Senate in the amendments, which motion was adopted. On the recurring question the House concurred in the amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House refused to concur with the Senate in its amendment to the House Resolve to authorize the payment of sewer assessments on property of the Commonwealth in the city of Worcester (House, No. 412), and

the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill to incorporate the Swan Dale Cemetery Association (printed as House, No. 1185) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company (Senate, No. 331) was read a second time and considered.

Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Gilpatric of Boston moved that it be postponed for consideration until to-morrow, which motion, after debate, was lost, by a vote of 57 to 77, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the changing of the location of the Manufacturers' Trust Company (Senate, No. 350) was considered, and after debate was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 63 to 15.

The Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to take, control and manage Nantasket Beach and adjacent land and waters (House, No. 1201) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Edward J. Donovan of Boston moved to amend as follows:—

In section 1, by inserting after the word "purchase," in line 4, the word "or;" by striking out, in the same line, the words "devise or eminent domain;" by striking out, in line 8, the word "exceeding," and inserting in place thereof the words "less than;" and by striking out, in lines 9 to 13, inclusive, the words "and adjacent lands, waters and rights therein, including Straits Pond, so called; but no land held or occupied for railroad purposes shall be taken by right of eminent domain;"

By striking out section 2; and

In section 4, by striking out, in lines 25, 38 and 43, respectively, the words "town of Cohasset," and inserting in place thereof, in each case, the words "county of Plymouth;" and by adding at the end of said section the words "All moneys received from rentals or other sources for the use of any buildings or portions of land taken under this act shall be applied to defraying the cost of land and buildings purchased under the provisions of this act."

Point of order.

Mr. Kyle of Plymouth raised the point of order that the amendment inserting the words "the county of Plymouth" was beyond the scope of the subject-matter considered by the committee.

The Chair (Mr. Turtle of Pittsfield) declared the point of order not well taken.

The amendments were then rejected and the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Subsequently, Mr. Donovan moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed, which motion, after debate, was adopted.

The same gentleman further moved to reconsider the vote whereby the amendments were rejected, which motion, after debate, was also adopted.

After further debate the amendments to sections 1 and 2, and in lines 25, 38 and 43 of section 4, were severally rejected.

The amendment at the end of section 4 was rejected, by a vote of 26 to 46.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 64 to 20, and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Donahue of Fall River, at thirteen minutes before four o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 26, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at ten o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Seavey of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Pay-Roll be instructed to make up the pay-roll for the compensation of members of the House for attendance during the present session ; and that the pay of Messrs. Edward M. Lombard of Springfield and Frederick C. Mahony of Boston be made up for the full session.

Committee on
Pay-Roll, —
compensation
for attendance.

Petition Presented.

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, petition of C. L. McCleery for legislation to reimburse the city of Lowell for the removal of two sound boilers condemned by State inspectors. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

City of Lowell,
— condemned
boilers.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill to confirm the proceedings of the Onset Fire District (printed as House, No. 1191) (introduced on leave in the House), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was ordered to a second reading. On motions of Mr. Stone of Springfield, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Onset Fire
District.

The House Bill to legalize and confirm certain proceedings of the town of South Hadley (House, No. 1210) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Chapple of Salem, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Town of South
Hadley, —
town meeting.

Notice was received of the rejection by the Senate of the following House bills :—

Railroad companies, — transportation of bicycles.

Bill to provide for the transportation of the bicycles of passengers as baggage (House, No. 592) ;

Board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game.

Bill to establish a board of commissioners on inland fisheries and game (House, No. 1141) ; and

Nurseries, — inspection; cranberries, — injurious insects.

Bill to provide for the inspection of nurseries, to prevent the introduction therein of injurious insects and to provide for an investigation of the habits of insects injurious to the cranberry (House, No. 1145).

Ice.

Also that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the selling of ice (House, No. 1192) had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the Senate having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of said rule.

Reports of Committees.

Town of Whitman, — annual meeting.

By Mr. Smith of Waltham, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to legalize and confirm certain proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Whitman (House, No. 1193) ought to pass. On motions of Mr. Chapple of Salem, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Town of Arlington, — indebtedness.

By Mr. Crosby of Attleborough, from the committee on Towns, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to amend an act of the current year authorizing the town of Arlington to refund a part of its indebtedness (House, No. 1217) ought to pass. On motions of Mr. Stone of Springfield, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Soldiers and sailors, — State pay and aid for families.

By Mr. Cole of Beverly, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to extend the provisions of law relative to State pay for soldiers and sailors in the volunteer service of the United States and for rendering aid to their families (Senate, No. 334) ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Stone of Springfield, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

City of Lowell, — Proprietors of the Locks and Canals on Merrimack River.

By Mr. Hayes of Lowell, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be not suspended on the Bill (taken from the files of last year) to authorize the Pro-

prietors of the Locks and Canals on Merrimack River to discontinue the Upper Free Landing in the city of Lowell. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hayes, the House refused to suspend the 12th joint rule, and the bill was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be not suspended on the petition of C. L. McCleery for legislation to reimburse the city of Lowell for the removal of two sound boilers condemned by State inspectors. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McCarthy, the House refused to suspend the 12th joint rule, by a vote of 61 to 22 (four-fifths of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative), and the petition was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

City of Lowell,
— condemned
boilers.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to suits to quiet the title to real estate ; and
To authorize the town of Canton to supply Knollwood Cemetery with water ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;
Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Bills enacted.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill relative to the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors (House, No. 1206) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Orders of the
day.

Bills :

To incorporate the Arlington Mills (Senate, No. 338) ;
and

To authorize the town of Stoneham to discontinue the use of certain land as a burial ground (printed as House, No. 1154) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company (Senate, No. 331) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Odlin of Andover moved to amend as follows:—

In section 22, as amended by the Senate, by striking out at the end thereof the words “and any part of the sum paid to the treasurer of the Commonwealth as hereinafter provided then remaining in his hands,” and inserting in place thereof the words “so far as it confers rights or privileges on said corporation, and all or any part of the sum paid to the treasurer of the Commonwealth as hereinafter provided then remaining in his hands which shall not be required to satisfy damages for taking land for the location of said canal;” and

In section 28, by striking out all after the word “repealed,” in line 5.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, the amendments were severally rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 120 to 29.

Taken from the Table.

Cape Cod canal,
— construction
by convict
labor.

On motion of Mr. Howland of Chelsea, the report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 818) of Willard Howland for legislation to authorize the construction of a canal across Cape Cod by convict labor, was taken from the table and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Cape Cod canal,
— H. W.
Armstrong.

On motion of Mr. Hooper of Manchester, the report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 737) of H. W. Armstrong that he and his associates may be authorized to construct, maintain and operate a canal across Cap Cod, was taken from the table and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Massachusetts
Maritime Canal
Company.

On motion of Mr. Swift of Tisbury, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on May 1, accepted the report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 830) of John H. Rice and others for legislation to revive the charter of the Massachusetts Maritime Canal Company and to extend the time within which said company is required to comply with

certain provisions of the same, was taken from the table, and the House refused to reconsider.

On motion of Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, at eighteen minutes past twelve o'clock, the House adjourned until two o'clock P.M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Adjournment and Hour of Meeting.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Springfield, —

Voted, That when the House adjourns to-day it be to meet to-morrow at ten o'clock A.M. Hour of meeting.

Resolutions Presented.

By Mr. Watson of Lowell, Resolutions relative to the safe carriage of passengers by steamships plying between New England ports. Read and referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court. Steamship companies, — safe carriage of passengers.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Agriculture, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address (Senate, No. 1) as relates to tuberculosis in cattle, accepted by the Senate, was read and was accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hayes of Lowell. Governor's address, — tuberculosis in cattle.

A report of the committee of conference to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill relative to the inspection of gas and gas meters (House, No. 1038), recommending that the House recede from its non-concurrence in the Senate amendments and concur therein, accepted by the Senate, was read. On motion of Mr. Smith of Waltham, the rule was suspended, and after debate the House refused to concur with the Senate in the acceptance of the report. Committee of conference, — inspection of gas and gas meters.

On further motion of Mr. Smith, the House asked for a new committee of conference. Messrs. Huntress of

Somerville, Tolman of Pittsfield and Hawes of Weymouth were appointed the new committee on the part of the House, and the bill was sent up for concurrence in the appointment of a new committee of conference.

City of Taun-
ton, — water
supply for
Raynham.

The Bill to authorize the city of Taunton to supply water in a certain part of the town of Raynham (Senate, No. 339) (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motions of Mr. Adams of Barre, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

Boston harbor,
—improvement.

By Mr. Myers of Cambridge, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to the improvement of Boston harbor. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Myers, the 12th joint rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the bill (Senate, No. 351) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

State tax.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, on all matters relating to the finances of the Commonwealth, a Bill to apportion and assess a State tax of one million five hundred thousand dollars. (House, No. 1221.) Read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :
Relative to the protection of shade trees ;
Relative to equitable process after judgment in certain cases ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;
To incorporate the Arlington Mills ; and
To authorize the changing of the location of the Manufacturers' Trust Company ;
(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;
Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill relative to the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors (House, No. 1206) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. Orders of the day.

The Bill to extend the provisions of law relative to State pay for soldiers and sailors in the volunteer service of the United States and for rendering aid to their families (Senate, No. 334) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Marchant of Gloucester moved to amend by inserting after section 1 the following new section: "*Section 2.* Section three of said chapter five hundred and sixty-one is hereby amended by adding after the word "parents," and before the word "brothers," in the fifth line of said section three, the word "children;" and by adding after the word "sisters," in the fifth line, and before the word "actually," in the sixth line, the words "of whatsoever age if;" by adding after the word "who," in the seventh line, and before the word "has," in the eighth line of said section three, the words "since the fourteenth day of February in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight;" and by striking out, in the eighth line, the word "present," and inserting in place thereof the word "said;" also by adding after the word "who," and before the word "has," in the twelfth line of said section three, the words "since the fourteenth day of February in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight," so as to read as follows."

The amendment was adopted and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and was sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

On motion of Mr. David A. Mahoney of Boston, at twenty-eight minutes past two o'clock, the House adjourned.

SATURDAY, May 27, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at ten o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Hour of Meeting.

Hour of
meeting.

On motion of Mr. Adams of Melrose, —

Voted, That when the House adjourns to-day it be to meet on Wednesday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Papers from the Senate.

Acushnet River,
— bridge
between New
Bedford and
Fairhaven.

A Bill to reapportion the expense of relocating and widening the bridge over the Acushnet River between the city of New Bedford and the town of Fairhaven (Senate, No. 330) (reported on petitions, with accompanying bill, House, No. 481) [Mr. Witt, of the Senate, and Messrs. Farwell of Boston and Hooper of Manchester, of the House, dissenting], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read. On motion of Mr. Kyle of Plymouth, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

State House, —
height of ad-
jacent buildings.

The House Bill to limit the height of buildings in the vicinity of the State House (House, No. 1197) (its title having been changed by the Senate) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Schofield of Malden, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Public service,
— estimates for
appropriations.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee on Ways and Means, no further legislation necessary, on the statement of estimates calling for appropriations for the several departments of the public service for the year 1899 (House, No. 1).

Treasurer and
Receiver-Gen-
eral, — annual
report.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General (Pub. Doc. No. 5).

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the fiftieth annual report of the Auditor of Accounts (Pub. Doc. No. 6). Auditor of Accounts, — annual report.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the aggregates of polls, property, taxes, etc., as assessed May 1, 1898 (Pub. Doc. No. 19). Polls, property, taxes, etc., — aggregates.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Mellen.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws be referred to the next General Court. (House, No. 1224.) [Mr. Mellen of Worcester dissenting.] Read and placed in the orders of the day for Wednesday next, the question being on the reference of the bill to the next General Court. Province Laws.

By Mr. Simmons of Grafton, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill relative to damages occasioned by the construction of basins or reservoirs for water supply along the Sudbury River ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Bill relative to damages occasioned by the construction of basins or reservoirs for water supply in the town of Ashland." (House, No. 1222.) [Mr. Adams of Melrose dissenting and presenting views printed as House, No. 1223.] Read and ordered to a second reading. Town of Ashland, — damages from construction of basins or reservoirs.

By Mr. Burgess of Fitchburg, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Bill to provide for the publication of a record of Massachusetts troops and officers, sailors and marines in the war of the rebellion ought to pass, in a new draft, with the same title. (House, No. 1225.) Read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Dean of Brookline, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Soldiers and sailors, — certain records.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To legalize and confirm certain proceedings of the town of South Hadley ; Bills enacted.

Making an appropriation for the improvement of Green Harbor in the town of Marshfield ;

Relative to fraternal beneficiary corporations ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To authorize the town of Stoneham to discontinue the use of certain land as a burial ground ;

To incorporate the Swan Dale Cemetery Association ;

To incorporate the Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company ; and

To confirm the proceedings of the Onset Fire District ;
(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve to provide for certain surveys by the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The Bill to apportion and assess a State tax of one million five hundred thousand dollars (House, No. 1221) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. King of Boston, at twelve minutes past eleven o'clock, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 31, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Veto Message from the Governor.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor:—

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, May 29, 1899.

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives.

I return herewith to the house in which it originated a bill entitled “An Act to exempt certain Trades Unions from the Laws Relative to Fraternal Beneficiary Organizations” with my objections thereto in writing.

Veto message from the Governor, — Bill to exempt certain trades unions from the laws relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations.

It has long been the policy of this Commonwealth carefully to guard the business of insurance which it permits to be conducted within its limits. The various statutes relating to the methods of conducting this important business are not intended unnecessarily to hamper or control it, but solely to protect the rights of the insured who, as experience has shown, without such protection would often be subjected to serious loss. I see no good reason why wage-workers should be deprived of the benefits or denied the protection of these salutary laws. If the bill now under consideration should become a law, it would remove all statutory restrictions whatsoever from the class of associations described therein, and would consequently deprive the members of such associations of every safeguard which the wisdom of the Legislature has imposed upon all other persons conducting a similar business.

There have been cases in the history of the Commonwealth in which the statutes then enacted have failed sufficiently to protect the rights of the insured, and more than once widespread and disastrous loss has been the result. Experience has shown that over-sanguine or unscrupulous men have been quick to avail themselves of the opportunities thus afforded. Whenever, however, such failures have been discovered, legislation has been enacted to supply the defect; and it is believed that the

Commonwealth now has upon the statute book a consistent and reasonably safe system of insurance supervision, which affords adequate protection to the insured. All recent legislation has been in the direction of correcting ascertained evils, and rendering impossible their recurrence. This is the first attempt, so far as I am informed, to relax precautions and restrictions which have been proved necessary, and to permit unregulated and irresponsible insurance business to be carried on. I cannot believe that such a law is for the interests of those affected by its provisions. On the contrary, I am convinced that it will operate ultimately to their detriment, and is likely to expose them to the possibility of loss, from which it is the duty of the Commonwealth to protect them.

For the above reasons I am unable to approve the bill.

ROGER WOLCOTT.

The message (House, No. 1226) was read, and pending the question "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Excellency the Governor?" Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved that it be postponed for consideration until to-morrow morning.

Mr. Dean of Brookline moved that the bill be laid on the table, which motion, after debate, was lost.

The motion of Mr. Mellen was adopted, and the bill was postponed accordingly.

Introduced on Leave.

Widow of
Andrew
Campbell.

By Mr. Dewey of Westfield, a Resolve in favor of the widow of Andrew Campbell. The resolve having been read, the same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

State officials,
— expenses.

A Bill relative to the payment of certain expenses of State officials from the treasury of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 352) (new draft of a bill, Senate, No. 292, introduced on leave), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

A Bill to authorize the dredging and deepening of Cohasset harbor (Senate, No. 34) (substituted for a report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on a petition, recommended), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

The House Bill relative to the compensation of commissioners appointed to assess damages in certain cases (House, No. 856) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Chapple of Salem, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House Resolve to authorize the payment of sewer assessments on property of the Commonwealth in the city of Worcester (House, No. 412) came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendment.

On motion of Mr. Tatman of Worcester, the House insisted on its non-concurrence and asked for a committee of conference. Messrs. Tatman of Worcester, Blood of Fitchburg and Libby of Medford were appointed the committee on the part of the House, and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

A Resolve (introduced on leave) relative to the twelfth census of the United States (Senate, No. 355) came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th joint rule. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Whall of Boston, from the committee on Insurance, no legislation necessary, on Part I. of the forty-fourth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner (Pub. Doc. No. 9) relative to fire and marine insurance. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Dean of Brookline, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Tatman of Worcester, from the committee on Insurance, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to statements required to be made to the Insurance Commissioner by insurance corporations doing business on the assessment plan (printed as Senate, No. 349) ought to pass. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
soliciting
orders.

By Mr. Estes of Brockton, from the committee on the Liquor Law, that the Bill (introduced on leave) relative to soliciting orders for intoxicating liquors (House, No. 1213) ought not to pass. [Mr. Feneno, of the Senate, and Messrs. Bleiler of Boston, Odlin of Andover, Mills of Newburyport and Gaddis of Boston, of the House, dissenting.] Read and placed in the orders of the day for this afternoon, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the sewerage works of the city of Boston ;
Relative to the sewerage system of the town of Lexington ;

To limit the height of buildings in the vicinity of the State House ;

To authorize the town of Arlington to refund certain indebtedness ;

To legalize and confirm certain proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Whitman ;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the father of Thomas L. Rourke ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relative to the use of streets by corporations ; and

To authorize the city of Taunton to supply water in a certain part of the town of Raynham ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of Francis W. Sprague, Second, and Harold W. Simonds ; and

To provide for the erection of a new building at the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
day.

The Bill to provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws (House, No. 1224) was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

The Bill relative to damages occasioned by the construction of basins or reservoirs for water supply in the town of Ashland (House, No. 1222) was read a second time, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 75 to 31.

At one o'clock, under the standing order, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

The Clerk announced the temporary absence of the Speaker and stated that Mr. Reed of Taunton had been appointed to preside. Mr. Reed accordingly took the chair.

Petition Presented.

By Mr. Scates of Haverhill, petition of the mayor of the city of Haverhill for legislation to authorize said city to construct, maintain and operate underground conduits and to rent the same. The same gentleman moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended, which motion was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Rules.

City of Haverhill, — underground conduits.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill relative to the inspection of gas and gas meters (House, No. 1038) came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the appointment of a new committee of conference, and that Messrs. Lott, Luscombe and Leach had been appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

Committee of conference, — inspection of gas and gas meters.

The House Resolve to authorize the payment of sewer assessments on property of the Commonwealth in the city of Worcester (House, No. 412) came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendment, concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference, and that Messrs. Parsons, Kenefick and Williams had been appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

City of Worcester, — sewer assessments on property of the Commonwealth.

Deceased persons, — distribution of estates.

The House Bill to revise the laws relative to the distribution of the estates of deceased persons (House, No. 1082) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. On motion of Mr. Chapple of Salem, the rule was suspended, and after debate the House concurred with the Senate in the following amendments: —

In section 2, striking out, in lines 3 and 4, the words “and leaves issue living;” and by striking out, in lines 19 to 27, inclusive, the words “When her husband dies and leaves no issue living she shall be entitled during her life to one-half of the real estate of which he died seized subject with the other half to his debts and to charges of administration, or if she files her election therefor in the registry of probate within six months after the issue of letters of administration on his estate she may have instead of such life estate her dower in his real estate;” and by inserting after section 2 the following new section: “*Section 3.* The residence or homestead estate of a deceased person leaving no issue shall, upon proceedings for partition and upon payment of proper owelty, be assigned to the surviving husband or wife for life, or in fee as the estate of the deceased therein may have been, on the request of such survivor at any time before final judgment in the partition proceedings.”

The House refused to concur in the amendments to section 13, striking out, in line 2, the word “October,” and inserting in place thereof the word “July;” and striking out, in lines 2 and 3, the words “eighteen hundred and ninety-nine,” and inserting in place thereof the words “nineteen hundred,” and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

City of Boston, — authority of city council.

The House Bill to authorize the city council of the city of Boston to obtain information in certain cases (House, No. 1211) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. On motion of Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, the rule was suspended, the House refused to concur in the amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Widow of Andrew Campbell.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be suspended on the Resolve (introduced on leave) in favor of the widow of

Andrew Campbell. Read and considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the 12th joint rule was suspended, and the resolve was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

By Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, from the committee on Rules, that the House should concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the Resolve (introduced on leave) relative to the twelfth census of the United States (Senate, No. 355). Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

United States,—
twelfth census.

By Mr. Huntress of Somerville, from the new committee of conference to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill relative to the inspection of gas and gas meters (House, No. 1038), recommending that the House recede from its non-concurrence in the Senate amendments at “A,” “D,” “E” and “F” and concur therein; that the Senate recede from its amendments at “B” and “C;” and that the bill be amended in section 2 by inserting after the word “amended,” in line 2, the words “by striking out, in the first line, the words ‘two thousand,’ and inserting in place thereof the words ‘twenty-five hundred,’ and;” and in the same section, by striking out, in line 7, the words “two thousand,” and inserting in place thereof the words “twenty-five hundred.”

Committee of
conference,—
inspection of
gas and gas
meters.

Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, and sent up for concurrence.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, this morning, referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the Bill to provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws (House, No. 1224), which motion, after debate, was adopted.

Province Laws.

After debate on the recurring question, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Root of Boston, the House refused to refer the bill to the next General Court, by a vote of 36 to 92.

On motion of Mr. Dean of Brookline, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

*Bill Enacted.***Bill enacted.**

An engrossed Bill relative to the compensation of commissioners appointed to assess damages in certain cases (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

*Orders of the Day.***Orders of the day.**

The Bill relative to statements required to be made to the Insurance Commissioner by insurance corporations doing business on the assessment plan (printed as Senate, No. 349) was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to damages occasioned by the construction of basins or reservoirs for water supply in the town of Ashland (House, No. 1222) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To reapportion the expense of relocating and widening the bridge over the Acushnet River between the city of New Bedford and the town of Fairhaven (Senate, No. 330) ; and

Relative to the payment of certain expenses of State officials from the treasury of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 352) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the publication of a record of Massachusetts troops and officers, sailors and marines in the war of the rebellion (House, No. 1225) was read a third time and considered.

Mr. Marden of Stoneham moved to amend section 1, line 8, and section 5, as printed, line 1, by striking out the word "may," and inserting in place thereof, in each case, the word "shall."

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Dudley of Sutton, the amendments were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to soliciting orders for intoxicating liquors (House, No. 1213) was considered, and pending

the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on the Liquor Law, the orders of the day were laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Robinson of Springfield.

Paper from the Senate.

A Bill relative to the relocation and widening of the old bridge over the Acushnet River between the city of New Bedford and the town of Fairhaven (Senate, No. 337) (reported on a petition, with accompanying bill, Senate, No. 184) [Mr. Joy, of the Senate, and Mr. Reed of Taunton, of the House, dissenting] came down recommitted to the committee on Railroads, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule.

Acushnet River,
— bridge from
New Bedford to
Fairhaven.

After debate the House refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the rule, by a vote of 49 to 40, two-thirds of the members present and voting not having voted in the affirmative.

Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting. A count of the House showed that 109 members were present.

On motion of Mr. Reed of Taunton, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to secure the attendance of a quorum.

On the appearance of a quorum the question was again put, and the House refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the rule, by a vote of 62 to 48.

Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House refused to suspend the 5th joint rule, in concurrence, and further moved that the motion to reconsider be postponed for consideration until to-morrow morning, which latter motion, after debate, was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Apsey of Cambridge, at one minute past five o'clock, the House adjourned, the order requiring the Speaker to declare an adjournment at five o'clock having been previously suspended, on motion of Mr. Myers of Cambridge.

THURSDAY, June 1, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at ten o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

Town of
Saugus,—Salem
Turnpike.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, petition of the selectmen of the town of Saugus for legislation to reimburse said town for the reconstruction and maintenance of the Salem Turnpike, so called. Referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court.

Paper from the Senate.

Boston harbor,
—improve-
ment.

The Bill relative to the improvement of Boston harbor (Senate, No. 354) (new draft of bill, Senate, No. 351, introduced on leave), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read. On motions of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Report of a Committee.

City of Cam-
bridge,—indebt-
edness for
sewers.

By Mr. Donovan of Taunton, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill relative to the authority of the city of Cambridge to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of constructing sewers. (House, No. 1207.) Read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of the same gentleman, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To apportion and assess a state tax of one million five hundred thousand dollars ;

To provide for the survey and improvement of harbors and for repairing damages occasioned by storms along the coast line or river banks of the Commonwealth ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Relative to the payment of certain expenses of State officials from the treasury of the Commonwealth (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The House concurred with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on the Resolve (introduced on leave) relative to the twelfth census of the United States (Senate, No. 355), and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly. Orders of the day.

The Bill relative to statements required to be made to the Insurance Commissioner by insurance corporations doing business on the assessment plan (printed as Senate, No. 349) was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to soliciting orders for intoxicating liquors (House, No. 1213), being the unfinished business of yesterday afternoon, was further considered, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on the Liquor Law.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Tolman of Pittsfield, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Odlin of Andover, and the roll being called the bill was rejected, as recommended by the committee.

The vote was 88 yeas to 72 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Andrews, David B.
Apsey, Albert S.
Bartlett, Edwin
Battles, David W.
Bennett, Frank P.
Blood, Charles H.
Bridgeo, William
Brooks, Charles C.
Burrington, Lester L.
Carleton, George H.
Chadwick, N. Henry
Chandler, Leonard B.
Chase, Henry L.
Clerke, Charles S.
Cole, Samuel
Conwell, Robert E.

Messrs. Cook, Clifford A.
Coolidge, Daniel S.
Corey, Charles V.
Crosby, Aaron S.
Crosby, Alfred R.
Crosby, J. Howell
Davis, William R.
Dean, Charles A.
Dean, George Z.
Drake, Frederic P.
Dyer, George N.
Eddy, Curtis
Estes, Eugene B.
Fisher, George E.
Fitts, Frank E.
Goulding, Albert M.

Messrs. Grimes, James W.
 Harwood, Herbert J.
 Hawes, Martin E.
 Heath, Guilford P.
 Henderson, Francis D.
 Horton, Henry T.
 Howland, Willard
 Hunt, James
 Huntress, Franklin E.
 Judd, William E.
 Keith, Charles P.
 Learoyd, Addison P.
 Leslie, George F.
 Litchfield, James A.
 Litchfield, William C.
 Lombard, Edward M.
 Love, Joseph P.
 Luce, Robert
 Marchesseault, Eugene D.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
 Miller, Calvin S.
 Miller, Charles H.
 Morse, Merrick A.
 Myers, James J.
 Neal, David
 Newton, H. Huestis
 Newton, Phinehas S.
 Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.

Messrs. Persons, Charles H.
 Ramsdell, Charles H.
 Reed, Silas D.
 Robinson, Lewis D.
 Rounseville, Albert
 Schofield, William
 Selfridge, George S.
 Severance, Joseph C.
 Shaw, Nathan W.
 Sheppard, Eben W.
 Skinner, Henry R.
 Smith, Allen F.
 Smith, Charles F. A.
 Smith, Charles G.
 Spooner, Wallace
 Sprague, Eugene H.
 Stanley, Benjamin F.
 Stone, Silas A.
 Stone, Willmore B.
 Swift, William S.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Twombly, Horatio F.
 Upson, Charles H.
 Wells, Abelard E.
 Wentworth, Edward E.
 White, Horace C.
 Williams, George F.
 Wood, Alva S.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles H.
 Ainsworth, Wilfred
 Balcom, George
 Bleiler, John
 Boylston, Ward N.
 Briggs, Clarence A.
 Brigham, William M.
 Brown, Henry L.
 Brown, Willard M.
 Bugbee, Nelson A.
 Bullock, William J.
 Carey, James F.
 Cluer, Arthur H.
 Crouch, Charles S.
 Cullinane, Richard
 Currier, Guy W.
 Dalton, J. Frank
 Daly, William
 Davenport, William A.

Messrs. Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
 Dillon, Thomas J.
 Donahue, Thomas
 Donovan, Edward J.
 Dooling, Thomas J.
 Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d.
 Dudley, George J.
 Feiker, William H.
 Flanagan, John J.
 Folsom, Albert T.
 Gartland, John J., Jr.
 Gilpatric, Fred C.
 Green, Thomas H.
 Hancock, Portus B.
 Harriman, Charles H.
 Harvie, Robert B.
 Hayes, William H. I.
 Hopewell, William
 Howard, Robert

Messrs. Howland, Charles W.	Messrs. Mills, Charles P.
Jones, Michael B.	Moore, James S.
Kavanaugh, John E.	Morrison, Andrew H.
Keyou, Nicholas B.	Murphy, Mortimer D.A.
King, Charles F.	Odlin, William
King, Randolph V.	Parker, William C.
Kyle, William S.	Paton, Alexander S.
Lanergan, John P.	Pike, William T.
Lockhart, Alexander	Quigley, William J.
Lomasney, Martin M.	Ross, Samuel
Lowe, John H.	Scates, Louis M.
Mahoney, David A.	Sparks, John T.
Marchant, Charles S.	Sullivan, Timothy F.
McIsaac, Daniel V.	Trow, Charles E.
McLoughlin, William I.	Varney, George E.
Mellen, James H.	Watson, Walter S.
Miller, William J.	Whelan, John B.

88 yeas ; 72 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced :—

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Adams, Austin F.*	Messrs. Fitzgerald, William T.A.
Donovan, Eugene E.*	Mansfield, Matthew M.
Tolman, William*	Twomey, Edmund J.

* Present.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday afternoon, refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 5th joint rule on the Bill relative to the relocation and widening of the old bridge over the Acushnet River between the city of New Bedford and the town of Fairhaven (Senate, No. 337) was considered, and after debate was adopted, by a vote of 130 to 15.

After debate on the recurring question, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Davenport of Greenfield, the House concurred in the suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill to exempt certain trades unions from the laws relative to fraternal beneficiary organizations (House, No. 469) was considered.

After debate the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Hawes of Weymouth.

On the question "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Excellency the Governor?" the yeas and nays were taken, and the roll being called the bill was passed, and, with the objections, was sent to the Senate.

The vote was 144 yeas to 55 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Ames, Butler

Andrews, David B.
Apsey, Albert S.
Balcom, George
Bartlett, Edwin
Battles, David W.
Bleiler, John
Bresnahan, Hugh W.
Bridgeo, William
Briggs, Clarence A.
Brigham, William M.
Brooks, Charles C.
Brown, Henry L.
Brown, Willard M.
Bugbee, Nelson A.
Bullock, William J.
Bushnell, S. Hopkins
Carey, James F.
Chase, Henry L.
Clerke, Charles S.
Cole, Samuel
Cook, Clifford A.
Coolidge, Daniel S.
Crouch, Charles S.
Cullinane, Richard
Currier, Guy W.
Dalton, J. Frank
Daly, William
Davenport, William A.
Davis, Daniel W.
Davis, William R.
Dean, Charles A.
Dean, George Z.
Dewey, Frank S., Jr.
Dillon, Thomas J.
Donahue, Thomas
Donovan, Edward J.
Donovan, Eugene E.
Donovan, James H.
Dooling, Thomas J.

Messrs. Drake, Frederic P.

Driscoll, Daniel J., 2d
Dyer, George N.
Eddy, Curtis
Estes, Eugene B.
Farwell, Frederick W.
Feiker, William H.
Fitzgerald, William T. A.
Folsom, Albert T.
Foster, Frank A.
Francis, Frank W.
Gaddis, Michael E.
Gartland, John J., Jr.
Green, Thomas H.
Hancock, Portus B.
Harriman, Charles H.
Harvie, Robert B.
Haskins, Leander M.
Hayes, William H. I.
Henderson, Francis D.
Hopewell, William
Howard, Robert
Howland, Charles W.
Howland, Willard
Hunt, James
Huntress, Franklin E.
Jones, Michael B.
Judd, William E.
Kane, Daniel J.
Kavanaugh, John E.
Kells, William, Jr.
Keyou, Nicholas B.
King, Charles F.
King, Randolph V.
Lanergan, John P.
Langford, John T.
Leslie, George F.
Lomasney, Martin M.
Lombard, Edward M.
Love, Joseph P.

Messrs. Lowe, John H.
 Mahoney, David A.
 Mahony, Frederick C.
 Mansfield, Matthew M.
 Marchesseault, Eugene D.
 Marden, William H.
 McCarthy, Jeremiah J.
 McIsaac, Daniel V.
 McLoughlin, William I.
 Mellen, James H.
 Mills, Charles P.
 Minihan, Cornelius
 Montgomery, James A.
 Moore, James S.
 Morrison, Andrew H.
 Morse, Merrick A.
 Murphy, Mortimer D. A.
 Myers, James J.
 Neal, David
 Newton, H. Huestis
 Nickerson, Darius M., Jr.
 Odlin, William
 Parker, William C.
 Paton, Alexander S.
 Persons, Charles H.
 Pike, William T.
 Prindle, John F.
 Queeney, James H.
 Quigley, William J.
 Ramsdell, Charles H.
 Reed, Silas D.
 Robinson, Lewis D.

Messrs. Ross, Samuel
 Russell, Arthur P.
 Salter, William R.
 Scates, Louis M.
 Schofield, William
 Seavey, James F.
 Severance, Joseph C.
 Sisson, Robert S.
 Skinner, Henry R.
 Smith, Allen F.
 Smith, Charles F. A.
 Sparks, John T.
 Spooner, Wallace
 Stalker, Hugh L.
 Stone, Silas A.
 Stone, Willmore B.
 Sullivan, Michael J.
 Sullivan, Timothy F.
 Toomey, John J.
 Trow, Charles E.
 Turner, Henry E.
 Twomey, Edmund J.
 Upson, Charles H.
 Varney, George E.
 Watson, Walter S.
 Weston, Walter S.
 Whall, Harry B.
 Wheeler, William D.
 Whelan, John B.
 Whipple, John J.
 Willard, Edward E.
 Wood, Alva S.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Austin F.
 Adams, Charles H.
 Bennett, Frank P.
 Burrington, Lester L.
 Carleton, George H.
 Chadwick, N. Henry
 Chandler, Leonard B.
 Chapple, William D.
 Cluer, Arthur H.
 Conwell, Robert E.
 Crosby, Aaron S.
 Crosby, Alfred R.
 Crosby, J. Howell
 Dean, Benjamin C.
 Dudley, George J.
 Ellsworth, J. Lewis

Messrs. Fisher, George E.
 Fitts, Frank E.
 Grimes, James W.
 Harwood, Herbert J.
 Hawes, Martin E.
 Haywood, Charles E.
 Heath, Guilford P.
 Horton, Henry T.
 Johnson, Charles R.
 Keith, Charles P.
 Kyle, William S.
 Leland, Francis
 Libby, John F.
 Litchfield, James A.
 Litchfield, William C.
 Luce, Robert

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Messrs. Miller, Calvin S.	Messrs. Smith, Charles G.
Miller, Charles H.	Sprague, Eugene H.
Munroe, John P.	Stanley, Benjamin F.
Newton, Phinehas S.	Stewart, Joseph I.
Porter, Thomas F.	Swift, William S.
Puffer, Herbert C.	Tolman, William
Ross, Leonard W.	Twombly, Horatio F.
Rounseville, Albert	Wells, Abelard E.
Selfridge, George S.	Wentworth, Edward E.
Shaw, Nathan W.	White, Horace C.
Sheppard, Eben W.	Williams, George F.
Simmons, Arthur A.	

144 yeas ; 55 nays.

PAIRS.

The following pairs were announced : —

YEAS.	NAYS.
Messrs. Minton, John M.	Messrs. Tatman, Charles T.*
Flanagan, John J.	Corey, Charles V.*
Miller, William J.	Learoyd, Addison P.*
Frost, Archie N.	Gilpatric, Fred C.*

* Present.

The Bill to provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws (House, No. 1224) was read a third time, and after debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Smith of Dover, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Briggs of Taunton, at four minutes before one o'clock, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Papers from the Senate.

The Resolve (introduced on leave) in favor of the widow of Andrew Campbell came down with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the suspension of the

Widow of
Andrew
Campbell.

12th joint rule. On motions of Mr. Dewey of Westfield, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. (House, No. 1228.)

The House Bill to establish the salary of the district attorney for the South-eastern District (printed as Senate, No. 21) (its title having been changed by the Senate) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. On motion of Mr. Whipple of Brockton, the rule was suspended, the House refused to concur with the Senate in the amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

South-eastern District, — salary of district attorney.

The House Bill to revise the laws relative to the distribution of the estates of deceased persons (House, No. 1082) came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendment.

Deceased persons, — distribution of estates.

On motion of Mr. Chapple of Salem, the House insisted on its non-concurrence and asked for a committee of conference. Messrs. Chapple of Salem, Carleton of Haverhill and Haywood of Lynn, were appointed the committee on the part of the House, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House Bill to authorize the city council of the city of Boston to obtain information in certain cases (House, No. 1211) came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendment, asked for a committee of conference and that Messrs. Maxwell, Chamberlain and Donovan had been appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

City of Boston, — authority of city council.

On motion of Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, the House insisted on its non-concurrence and concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference. Messrs. Brigham of Marlborough, Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston and Gilpatric of Boston were appointed the committee on the part of the House, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

A Resolve to provide for an investigation by the Board of Railroad Commissioners and the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners relative to the relocating and widening of the old bridge over the Acushnet River between the city of New Bedford and the town of Fairhaven (Senate, No. 356) (reported on a bill, Senate, No. 337, recom-

Acushnet River, — bridge from New Bedford to Fairhaven.

mitted) [Mr. Reed of Taunton, of the House, dissenting], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second time and considered.

Point of order.

Mr. Reed of Taunton raised the point of order that the resolve was beyond the scope of the petition referred to the committee.

The Speaker ruled as follows: "Without expressing any opinion as to whether the resolve would be considered as within the scope of the petition had it been reported first in the House and the point of order then raised, the Chair is of the opinion that it is one of those cases where, under the precedents established, the courtesy between the two branches would require that the resolve, having been passed to be engrossed by the Senate, should be considered by the House, and therefore declares the point of order not well taken."

Point of order.

Mr. Reed raised the further point of order that the resolve required the expenditure of public money and should have been referred, under House Rule 44, to the committee on Ways and Means.

The Speaker declared the point of order not well taken.

The resolve was then ordered to a third reading, and under a further suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. McCarthy, was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Notice was received of the rejection by the Senate of the following House bill and resolves:—

Taxation, —
legacies and
successions and
other transfers.

Bill imposing a tax on legacies, successions and certain other transfers and providing for the distribution of the proceeds of the same (House, No. 1216);

Widow of
Franklin A.
Gowen.

Resolve in favor of the widow of Franklin A. Gowen (House, No. 1155); and

Public schools,
— method of
support.

Resolve providing for a commission to investigate the necessity for additional legislation relative to the method of supporting public schools (House, No. 1205).

City of Boston,
— repayment of
sewer taxes.

Also that the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1218) of J. J. McCarthy for legislation to provide for the repayment of sewer taxes unlawfully collected by the city of Boston under chapter 436 of the Acts of the year 1897 had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the Senate having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of said rule.

Also that the House order instructing the Chief of the District Police to investigate into the employment of women and minors in the manufactories of straw and palm-leaf work had been rejected by the Senate.

Chief of the District Police, — employment of women and minors in straw and palm-leaf manufactories.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Sisson of Lynn, from the committee on Printing, that the Senate order instructing said committee to investigate the printing and distribution of public documents, with a view of ascertaining whether or not it is practicable to effect any saving of expense, be referred to the next General Court. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Balcom of Marlborough, and sent up for concurrence.

Committee on Printing, — printing and distribution of public documents.

By Mr. Sisson of Lynn, from the committee on Printing, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the seventh annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth (Pub. Doc. No. 46) as relates to the document division, regimental histories, State printing and early laws. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Wallace of Clinton, and sent up for concurrence.

Secretary of the Commonwealth, — annual report.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the joint committee on Ways and Means, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Commissioners on the Topographical Survey and Map of Massachusetts (Pub. Doc. No. 50). Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Balcom of Marlborough, and sent up for concurrence.

Commissioners on the Topographical Survey, — annual report.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the committee on Ways and Means, no further legislation necessary, on the abstract of the annual report of the Auditor of Accounts (House, No. 325). Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Shaw of Raynham.

Auditor of Accounts, — abstract of report.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the committee on Rules, that the 12th joint rule be not suspended on the petition of the mayor of the city of Haverhill for legislation to authorize said city to construct, maintain and operate underground conduits and to rent the same. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Stone, the House refused to suspend the 12th joint rule, and the petition was referred, under the rule, to the next General Court.

City of Haverhill, — underground conduits.

Commonwealth
of Massa-
chusetts and
State of Rhode
Island, —
boundary line.

By Mr. Estes of Brockton, from the committee on Federal Relations, on a report of the Commissioners on the Topographical Survey relative to the boundary line between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the State of Rhode Island, a Bill to establish the boundary line between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations from "Burnt Swamp Corner" southerly to the sea. (House, No. 1227.) Read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Estes of Brockton, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Committee of
conference, —
extension of
Cove street
in the city of
Boston.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee of conference to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill to provide for the extension of Atlantic avenue, formerly Cove street, in the city of Boston (House, No. 1124), recommending that the House recede from its non-concurrence in the Senate amendments and concur therein. [Mr. Bresnahan of Boston, of the House, dissenting.] Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Newton of Everett, and sent up for concurrence.

Cohasset
harbor.

By Mr. Bennett of Saugus, from the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill to authorize the dredging and deepening of Cohasset harbor (Senate, No. 34) ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Daniel W.
Darling and
Jasper T.
Darling.

By Mr. Adams of Melrose, from the joint committee on Ways and Means, leave to withdraw, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 411) of Daniel W. Darling and Jasper T. Darling for legislation to reimburse them for losses sustained by them in the erection of certain buildings. [Mr. Mellen of Worcester, of the House, dissenting.] Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Adams, and sent up for concurrence.

Reconsideration.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
soliciting
orders.

Mr. Hayes of Lowell moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, this morning, rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Liquor Law, the Bill relative to soliciting orders for intoxicating liquors

(House, No. 1213), which motion, after debate, was adopted, by a vote of 79 to 48.

After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Somerville, the House refused to reject the bill, by a vote of 58 to 75, and it was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Hayes, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time and considered.

The same gentleman moved to amend section 1 by inserting after the word "periodical," in lines 7 and 15, in each case, the words "or newspaper." The amendments were adopted and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Subsequently, under a further suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Hayes, the bill was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors (which originated in the House) ; and Bills enacted.

To reapportion the expense of relocating and widening the bridge over the Acushnet River between the city of New Bedford and the town of Fairhaven (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill relative to the improvement of Boston harbor (Senate, No. 354) was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Orders of the day.



Report of a Committee.

Mr. Robinson of Springfield, from the special committee appointed to attend the funeral of the late Andrew Campbell of Westfield, a member of the House from the Ninth Hampden Representative District, and to prepare Death of Representative Andrew Campbell.

suitable resolutions in honor of the deceased, reported recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That the House of Representatives has heard with unfeigned sorrow of the death of Andrew Campbell, representative from the Ninth Hampden District. He had been a member of this House for three years, and had so recommended himself by his generous character and kindly, genial manners, that his death is felt as a personal loss by the individual members of the House. Mr. Campbell had attained a ripe age; he had served his country as a soldier, his county as a legislator, his town as a public officer, and the community in general as a brave and honest citizen.

Resolved, That the House offers its sympathy to the family of Mr. Campbell, and its congratulations upon his long, useful and honorable career.

Resolved, That an engrossed copy of these resolutions be framed and sent to the family of the deceased, and that they be entered upon the journal of the House.

The resolutions were read and were considered, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Robinson of Springfield, and after remarks by Messrs. Dewey of Westfield, Reed of Taunton, Trow of Salem, Simmons of Grafton, Hayes of Lowell, Myers of Cambridge and Stone of Springfield, were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.



Mr. Dewey moved, as a further mark of respect, that the House adjourn, which motion was unanimously adopted by a rising vote, and accordingly, at twenty-three minutes past four o'clock, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, June 2, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at ten o'clock A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Expenses of Committees.

A communication was received from the Sergeant-at-Arms, in accordance with Joint Rule 3, submitting a statement of the expenses of committees for the month ending May 31, 1899, as furnished by the Auditor of Accounts. (House, No. 1229.) Read and sent to the Senate.

Sergeant-at-Arms, — expenses of committees.

Petition Presented.

By Mr. Moore of West Stockbridge, petition of Horace K. Osborn for legislation to annex the city of Cambridge to the city of Boston. Referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court.

City of Cambridge, — annexation to the city of Boston.

Papers from the Senate.

A Resolve relative to the twelfth census of the United States (Senate, No. 355) (introduced on leave in the Senate), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motions of Mr. Reed of Taunton, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

United States, — twelfth census.

A report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 804) of E. E. Willard for legislation to impose penalties upon public officers who expend money in excess of appropriations, accepted by the Senate, was read and was accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Reed of Taunton.

Public officers, — expenditures in excess of appropriations.

A report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on the order instructing said committee to investigate the causes of the strike in the city of Marlborough (Senate, No. 357), accepted by the Senate, was

Committee on Labor, — investigation of strike in Marlborough.

read and was accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Robinson of Springfield.

Deceased
persons, —
distribution of
estates.

The House Bill to revise the laws relative to the distribution of the estates of deceased persons (House, No. 1082) came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendments, concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference, and that Messrs. Bouvé, Harwood and Williams had been appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

Soldiers and
sailors, — State
pay and aid for
families.

The Senate Bill to extend the provisions of law relative to State pay for soldiers and sailors in the volunteer service of the United States and for rendering aid to their families (Senate, No. 334) came down with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred in the House amendment. On motion of Mr. Marden of Stoneham, the House receded from its amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

South-eastern
District, —
salary of dis-
trict attorney.

The House Bill to establish the salary of the district attorney for the South-eastern District (printed as Senate, No. 21) came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted on its amendment, asked for a committee of conference, and that Messrs. Chamberlain, George and Joy had been appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Whipple of Brockton, the House insisted on its non-concurrence and concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference. Messrs. Whipple of Brockton, Kyle of Plymouth and Wentworth of Cohasset were appointed the committee on the part of the House, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Bullock of New Bedford, from the committee on Pay-Roll, who were instructed to make up the pay-roll for the compensation of members of the House for attendance during the present session, that the following order, with the accompanying schedule, ought to be adopted: —

Pay-roll.

Ordered, That the accompanying schedule, showing that the amount of \$180,000 is due to members of the House of Representatives for attendance at the present

session of the General Court, is approved, and that the same be sent to the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Reed of Taunton, the order was adopted and the schedule was signed by the Speaker.

By Mr. Goulding of Duxbury, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Resolve (recommitted) to provide a suitable drill-shed for the mounted arms of the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia (House, No. 429) be referred to the next General Court. On motion of the same gentleman, the rule was suspended, the resolve was referred to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Militia, — drill-shed for mounted arms.

By Mr. Chapple of Salem, from the committee of conference to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill to revise the laws relative to the distribution of the estates of deceased persons (House, No. 1082), recommending that the Senate recede from its amendment at "D" (striking out, in line 2 of section 13, the word "October," and inserting in place thereof the word "July"); that the House recede from its non-concurrence in the Senate amendment at "E" (striking out, in lines 2 and 3 of section 13, the words "eighteen hundred and ninety-nine," and inserting in place thereof the words "nineteen hundred") and concur therein; and that the bill be further amended in section 13, by striking out, in line 2, the word "October," and inserting in place thereof the word "April." Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Chapple, and sent up for concurrence.

Committee of conference, — estates of deceased persons.

Bills Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the business of trust companies ;

Relative to the inspection of gas and gas meters ;

To provide for the extension of Atlantic avenue, formerly Cove street, in the city of Boston ;

To authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to take, control and manage Nantasket Beach and adjacent lands and waters ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Bills enacted.

Relative to the improvement of Boston harbor (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve to provide for an investigation by the Board of Railroad Commissioners and the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners relative to the relocating and widening of the old bridge over the Acushnet River between the city of New Bedford and the town of Fairhaven (which originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the day.

The Bill to authorize the dredging and deepening of Cohasset harbor (Senate, No. 34) was considered, and after debate was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, and notice was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Wood of Woburn, at five minutes before one o'clock, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Adjournment and Hour of Meeting.

Adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Montgomery of Cambridge, —
Voted, That when the House adjourns it be to meet at seven o'clock P.M.

Order.

Sergeant-at-Arms, — last bulletin.

On motion of Mr. Miller of Southwick, —
Ordered, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be instructed to send to each member of the General Court a copy of the last bulletin of committee hearings.
Sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee of conference; city of Boston, — authority of city council.

A report of the committee of conference, to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill to authorize the city council

of the city of Boston to obtain information in certain cases (House, No. 1211), recommending that the Senate recede from its amendment, accepted by the Senate, was read and was accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Brigham of Marlborough.

A report of the committee of conference to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill to provide a penalty for trespassing upon bicycle paths (House, No. 978), recommending that the Senate recede from its amendment, accepted by the Senate, was read and was accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Salter of Lynn.

Committee of conference, — bicycle paths.

A report of the committee of conference to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill to establish the salary of the district attorney for the South-eastern District (printed as Senate, No. 21), recommending that the House recede from its non-concurrence in the Senate amendment and concur therein, accepted by the Senate, was read and was accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Whipple of Brockton.

Committee of conference, — salary of district attorney for South-eastern District.

A report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1220) of Willard Howland for legislation to extend the charter of the Barnstable County Street Railway Company, accepted by the Senate, was read and was accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Howland of Chelsea.

Barnstable County Street Railway Company.

The House Resolve in favor of the Carney Hospital (House, No. 950) came down passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Crouch of Northampton, and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Carney Hospital.

Notice was received that the engrossed Bill to extend civil service exemption to veterans of the war with Spain, having been returned to the Senate by His Excellency the Governor with his objections thereto in writing, had failed to pass.

Soldiers and sailors, — civil service exemption.

Report of a Committee.

City of
Worcester, —
sewer assess-
ments on prop-
erty of the
Commonwealth.

By Mr. Tatman of Worcester, from the committee of conference to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Resolve to authorize the payment of sewer assessments on property of the Commonwealth in the city of Worcester (House, No. 412), that they are unable to agree. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Tatman, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the city council of the city of Boston to obtain information in certain cases (which originated in the House) ; and

To extend the provisions of law relative to State pay for soldiers and sailors in the volunteer service of the United States and for rendering aid to their families (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of the widow of Andrew Campbell (which originated in the House) ; and

Relative to the twelfth census of the United States (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolutions.

Resolution of
thanks to the
Speaker.

Mr. Jeremiah J. McCarthy of Boston being in the chair, Mr. Stone of Springfield offered the following resolution :—

Resolved, That the thanks of the House of Representatives be tendered to the Honorable John L. Bates for the very able, courteous and impartial manner in which he has discharged his duties as Speaker. His abilities as a presiding officer have been so often extolled and so generally recognized that they need no further encomium ; but the members of this House desire to record an expression of their good-will to their Speaker, and give utterance to the hope that his career, whether in public or private life, may be as prosperous in the future as it has been honorable in the past.

After remarks by Messrs. Stone of Springfield, Myers of Cambridge, Carleton of Haverhill, Bennett of Saugus, Apsey of Cambridge, Hayes of Lowell, Donahue of Fall River, Saunders of Boston, Schofield of Malden, Turtle of Pittsfield, Morse of Belchertown, Howland of Chelsea, Hawes of Weymouth and Edward J. Donovan of Boston the resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The Speaker then addressed the House as follows :—

I do not know what words to employ in response to the generous sentiments of these resolutions and the kind eulogies of those who have spoken on them, or how to fittingly express my gratefulness for this beautiful gift. I feel much. I can say but little. I am glad it is of bronze, for we speak of bronze as imperishable, and this beautiful gift will endure so long as my life, and farther beyond. But, sir, there is something more precious to me than even this bronze, and that is the picture of this hour traced upon my mind in lines so deep that time will not erase it, even though I should live to four-score years. No one knows better than I how little I have deserved all these encomiums, and yet I find pleasure in them, for they reveal to me the magnanimity of those with whom I have been associated, and their great hearts and their courteous charity.

Mistakes I have made, but notwithstanding these, you have by your constant, unwavering support increased my debt to you, until it is now greater than I can ever hope to discharge. This day, so full of interest, sober thoughts mingle with the pleasant ones. I cannot forget that the associations of five months are about to be broken. That we are soon to part, and in all probability many of us may not meet again. But even the sadness of this thought is tempered by the consideration that we have stayed until our duty was done, and take away with us recollections that shall brighten memory's gallery of reminiscences throughout our remaining years.

We have enacted this session 585 bills and resolves, and rejected 663. It is too early for the full effect of your work to be known, but I have observed, from the beginning to the end of this session, that fidelity to duty, that careful deliberation, that painstaking endeavor on your part that can but have borne fruit in contributing to the welfare of the people and the advancement of the Commonwealth. Criticism of legislative bodies must always be

expected, and it is desirable. It tends to keep men alert in the discharge of their duties. Some of it is just, and some of it is often ill-advised, and would not be uttered except for the lack of knowledge of those who utter it. Furthermore, it is natural that those who have not agreed with you should not approve of your course. If all the people were agreed there would be no necessity for you to render judgment. But I am confident that the judgment of the majority of this House, selected as they are from all portions of the Commonwealth, representing all its diverse interests, and sworn to defend the public welfare, is more reliable than that of any individual, or combination of individuals, looking at the work you have done, simply from the standpoint of their own selfish interest. I sincerely congratulate you therefore upon the end of your labors. You can return to your homes conscious of having kept your oath and served well your State.

Another sad thought comes to us at this closing hour. Captain Campbell is not here to say good bye. We had learned to respect and to love him, because of his loyal friendship, his patient, faithful and able discharge of his duties as a legislator. But if we have had our days of sadness, we have also had those of rejoicing. There has been more sunshine than storm. Some days have been particularly bright. We shall not soon forget the visit of Gen. Miles, or the words which the president of the United States and his great Secretary of the Navy spoke to us from the Speaker's desk.

My six years' service as a member, and three years as Speaker are ended. They have been six interesting years. The high opinion that I had always entertained of the members of the General Court has been increased, rather than diminished, by my association with them. I know them to be true men. Within these walls they have builded well, and the present generation is served with no less of honor and ability than its predecessors.

I thank you again, my associates, for this gift, and your kind words. Whatever of success has attended my efforts has been largely the result of your loyal support, and that of the officers of this House. To the Chaplain and Clerk, the Sergeant-at-Arms and all who have so ably served under them, to the members of the honorable Senate, to the reporters, whose work has contributed in no small degree to the shaping of the legislation of this session, I

acknowledge my indebtedness for numberless courtesies and unfailing assistance, and in thanking them and you, wish for all, through all your future years, the choicest of heaven's blessings.

Mr. Kyle of Plymouth offered the following resolution : —

Resolved, That the House desires to thank James W. Kimball and Frank E. Bridgman, Clerk and Assistant Clerk, and Capt. John G. B. Adams, Sergeant-at-Arms, and his assistants, for the kindness and courtesy which have marked their relations with members of the House ; and also to express its recognition of the faithful and efficient manner in which they have discharged their respective duties.

Resolution of thanks to the Clerk, etc.

The House also testifies to the Rev. Daniel W. Waldron, Chaplain, its appreciation of the impressive and reverent manner in which he has performed his duties.

After remarks by Messrs. Kyle of Plymouth and Mills of Newburyport, the resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

On motion of Mr. Fitzgerald of Boston, at twenty-seven minutes before six o'clock, the House adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

Met according to adjournment, at seven o'clock P.M.

Paper from the Senate.

Notice was received of the rejection by the Senate of the House Bill relative to soliciting orders for intoxicating liquors (House, No. 1213).

Intoxicating liquors, — soliciting orders.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the authority of the city of Cambridge to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for the purpose of constructing sewers ;

Bills enacted.

Relative to statements required to be made to the Insurance Commissioner by insurance corporations doing business on the assessment plan ;

Relative to damages occasioned by the construction of basins or reservoirs for water supply in the town of Ashland ;

To provide a penalty for trespassing upon bicycle paths ; and

To establish the salary of the district attorney for the South-eastern District ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Myers of Cambridge, at three minutes past ten o'clock, the House adjourned until half-past ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, June 3, 1899.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past ten o'clock
A.M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, made in accordance with provisions of the Public Statutes, accepted by the Senate, was read and was accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Smith of Dover, as follows:—

Committee on
Military Affairs,
— State camp
ground, store
house and
arsenal.

The committee has visited the State camp ground, store house and arsenal, and has made a thorough examination of the same, and of the arms, munitions of war and other property of the Commonwealth deposited there, and finds that the grounds and buildings are in good, and all other property of the State is in excellent, condition, and that accounts are properly and carefully kept.

The committee desires to express its appreciation of the faithful and capable work of Captain Landy and his assistants, to whom much credit is due, for the appearance of the grounds, clothing and arms, which have suffered no deterioration, notwithstanding the large amount of extra work and responsibility entailed by the war with Spain, and for the readiness and promptness with which every demand upon the resources of the State Arsenal was met by those in immediate charge of the same.

Of the services rendered the Commonwealth by the Adjutant-General during the past year, the committee feels that it is difficult to speak adequately. When the nation needed troops, Massachusetts furnished them in the numbers required, so armed, equipped, drilled and disciplined as to require from the government only its orders and future subsistence. With the close of the war the Commonwealth finds itself in possession of new arms, equal equipment and as effective a militia as at its opening.

The simple statement of these facts is the highest compliment the committee can pay to General Dalton, to whose faithfulness, ability and promptness the Commonwealth gladly renders the tribute so justly his due.

Report of a Committee.

City of
Cambridge;
Proprietors of
the Cemetery
of Mount
Auburn.

By Mr. Stone of Springfield, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (with accompanying bill, House, No. 1219) of Henry R. Skinner for legislation to extend the time within which the city of Cambridge may take certain land of the Proprietors of the Cemetery of Mount Auburn. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Fisher of Amherst, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To revise the laws relative to the distribution of the estates of deceased persons ;

To provide for the publication of a record of Massachusetts troops and officers, sailors and marines in the war of the rebellion ; and

To establish the boundary line between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations from Burnt Swamp Corner southerly to the sea ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of the Carney Hospital ; and

In favor of certain veterans of the town of Stoneham ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Lombard of Springfield, at five minutes before one o'clock, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P.M.

Report Ordered Printed as a House Document.

Massachusetts
and State of
Rhode Island
boundary line.

On motion of Mr. Estes of Brockton, the report of the Commissioners on the Topographical Survey, relative to the boundary line between the Commonwealth of Massa-

chusetts and the State of Rhode Island, was ordered printed as a House document. (House, No. 1230.)

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Salter of Lynn, from the committee of conference to whom were referred the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill to regulate the width of tires on draft wagons (House, No. 1184), that they are unable to agree. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same gentleman, and sent up for concurrence. Draft wagons, — width of tires.

By Mr. Carleton of Haverhill, from the committee on Ways and Means, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill in addition to an act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year and for certain other expenses authorized by law. Read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Stone of Springfield, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence. (House, No. 1231.) Appropriation bill.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To provide for continuing the publication of the Province Laws ; and Bills enacted.

In addition to an act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resignation of Members.

The following communications were received : —

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, BOSTON, JUNE 3, 1899.

Hon. JOHN L. BATES, *Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

SIR : — I hereby tender my resignation as a member of the House of Representatives from the Twenty-first Middlesex Representative District. Resignation of William M. Brigham.

Very respectfully,

WILLIAM M. BRIGHAM.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, BOSTON, JUNE 3, 1899.

Hon. JOHN L. BATES, *Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

Resignation
of Charles H.
Blood.

SIR : — I hereby tender my resignation as a member of the House of Representatives from the Thirteenth Worcester Representative District.

Very respectfully,
C. H. BLOOD.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, BOSTON, JUNE 3, 1899.

Hon. JOHN L. BATES, *Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

Resignation of
Jeremiah J.
McCarthy.

SIR : — I hereby tender my resignation as a member of the House of Representatives from the Fourth Suffolk District.

Very respectfully,
JEREMIAH J. MCCARTHY.

The resignations were severally read, accepted and placed on file.

Prorogation.

Prorogation.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Ordered, That a committee, to consist of three on the part of the Senate and such as the House may join, be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, and inform him that the two branches of the Legislature have disposed of all the public business which has been brought before them, and request him, with the advice and consent of the Council, to prorogue them to the Tuesday next preceding the first Wednesday of January next.

Messrs. Williams, Whittlesey and Donovan having been appointed on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Myers of Cambridge, Stone of Springfield, Howland of Chelsea, Carleton of Haverhill, Hayes of Lowell, Dean of Wakefield, Kyle of Plymouth and Douglass of Boston were joined on the part of the House.

Mr. Myers, from the committee, afterwards reported that they had waited upon His Excellency the Governor and informed him of the action of the two branches; that His Excellency congratulated the members on the completion of their labor, and said that he would communicate further with the two Houses through the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 1899.

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At four minutes past five o'clock the Secretary of the Commonwealth came in and stated that during the session the Chief Executive had signed 479 bills and 103 resolves, and that he had returned 3 bills with his objections thereto in writing.

The Secretary further said that he had been directed by His Excellency the Governor, with the consent of the Council, and in compliance with the request of the two branches, to prorogue the General Court to the Tuesday next preceding the first Wednesday of January next, and the General Court was prorogued accordingly.

Attest :

JAMES W. KIMBALL, *Clerk.*

APPENDIX.

[No. 1.]

ANNUAL REGISTER

OF THE

EXECUTIVE

AND

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENTS

OF THE

GOVERNMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,

1899.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	First Year in Present Office.
Roger Wolcott, Governor,	Boston, . . .	July 13, 1847,	Boston, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1897
W. Murray Crane, Lieutenant-Governor, .	Dalton, . . .	April 23, 1853,	Dalton, . . .	Manufacturer, . .	1897
Nathl T. Ryder, Councillor, District No. 1, .	Middleborough,	Oct. 15, 1845,	Middleborough, .	Merchant, . . .	1896
Wm. W. Davis, " " 2, .	Boston, . . .	Aug. 8, 1862,	Cambridge, . .	Hotel manager, . .	1899
Geo. N. Swallow, " " 3, .	Boston, . . .	Jan. 2, 1854,	Charlestown, .	Merchant, . . .	1898
Chas. I. Quirk, " " 4, .	Boston, . . .	Aug. 15, 1871,	Boston, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1899
Horace H. Atherton, " " 5, .	Saugus, . . .	Oct. 23, 1847,	Saugus, . . .	Lumber dealer, . .	1898
S. Herbert Howe, " " 6, .	Marlborough, .	Dec. 21, 1855,	Marlborough, .	Manufacturer, . .	1899
Martin V.B. Jefferson, " " 7, .	Worcester, . .	May 19, 1834,	Uxbridge, . . .	Manufacturer, . .	1899
Parley A. Russell, " " 8, .	Gt. Barrington,	June 18, 1838,	Great Barrington,	Manufacturer, . .	1899

James M. Perkins, <i>Private Secretary to the Governor.</i>	Cambridge, .	April 17, 1868,	Tamworth, N. H.,	Lawyer, . . .	1897
Edward F. Hamlin, <i>Executive Secretary,</i> .	Newton, .	June 6, 1846,	Plainfield, .	. . .	1877
<i>Heads of Departments.</i>					
William M. Olin, <i>Secretary,</i>	Boston, .	Sept. 18, 1845,	Warrenton, Ga., .	Journalist, .	1891
Edward P. Shaw, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Newburyport, .	Sept. 1, 1841,	Newburyport, .	Contractor, .	1895
John W. Kimball, <i>Auditor,</i>	Fitchburg, .	Sept. 27, 1828,	Fitchburg, .	Real estate, .	1892
Hosea M. Knowlton, <i>Attorney-General,</i> .	New Bedford, .	May 20, 1847,	Durham, Me., .	Lawyer, . .	1894
Samuel Dalton, <i>Adjutant-General,</i> . .	Boston, .	June 25, 1840,	Salem, .	Merchant, .	1883

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

SENATE.

GEORGE E. SMITH, PRESIDENT.

District.	NAME.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Place of Birth.	Occupation.	YEARS IN LEGISLATURE.	
						House.	Senate.
First Suffolk, .	Charles T. Witt, .	Boston, .	July 18, 1848,	Norway, Me.,	Milk dealer, .	1888, '89.	1899.
Second " .	Peter F. Tague, .	Boston, .	June 4, 1871,	Charlestown,	Hardware dealer, .	1897, '98.	1899.
Third " .	William J. Donovan, .	Boston, .	Oct. 31, 1862,	East Boston,	Machinist and en- gineer.	1893, '94, '95.	1899.
Fourth " .	John A. Kellher, .	Boston, .	Nov. 6, 1866,	Boston, .	Newspaper corre- spondent.	1896, '97.	1899.
Fifth " .	Charles H. Innes,	Boston, .	Aug. 6, 1870,	Boston, .	Lawyer, .	1897, '98.	1899.
Sixth " .	John E. Baldwin,	Boston, .	June 26, 1869,	South Boston,	Book-keeper, .	1897, '98.	1899.
Seventh " .	William H. Lott, .	Boston, .	Sept. 17, 1852,	Woolwich, Eng.,	Merchant, .	None.	1899.
Eighth " .	Arthur A. Maxwell,	Boston, .	Jan. 24, 1858,	Wells, York Co., Me.	Lawyer, .	1896, '97.	1899.
Ninth " .	John J. Feneno, .	Boston, .	Mar. 24, 1868,	Boston, .	Heating and venti- lating.	1897, '98.	1899.
First Essex, .	Henry C. Attwill,	Lynn, .	Mar. 11, 1872,	Lynn, .	Lawyer, .	1896, '97, '98.	1899.
Second " .	William Reynolds,	Marblehead, .	June 15, 1843,	Marblehead, .	Bank cashier, .	None.	1899.
Third " .	Charles O. Bailey,	Newbury, .	Jan. 24, 1863,	Newbury, .	Grocer, .	1896, '97.	1898, '99.
Fourth " .	Samuel W. George,	Haverhill, .	Apr. 26, 1862,	Meredith, N. H.,	Transportation agent.	1894, '95, '96, '97.	1898, '99.
Fifth " .	Charles F. Sargent,	Lawrence, .	Aug. 31, 1858,	Lawrence, .	Lawyer, .	1895, '96.	1899.
First Middlesex, .	Albert L. Harwood,	Newton, .	Sept. 10, 1847,	Hardwick, .	Lawyer, .	1896, '98.	1897, '98, '99.
Second " .	Frederick W. Dallinger,	Cambridge, .	Oct. 2, 1871,	Cambridge, .	Lawyer, .	1894, '95.	1896, '97, '98, '99.

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Third	William H. Hodgkins,	Somerville,	June 9, 1840,	Charlestown,	Trustee,	1898, '99.
Fourth	George E. Smith,	Everett,	Apr. 6, 1849,	New Hampton,	Lawyer,	1897, '98, '99.
				N. H.		
Fifth	Fred Joy,	Winchester,	July 8, 1859,	Winchester,	Lawyer,	1899.
Sixth	Frank A. Patch,	Boxborough,	July 28, 1844,	Boxborough,	Farmer,	1899.
Seventh	George E. Putnam,	Lowell,	Feb. 9, 1851,	Croydon, N. H.,	Merchant,	1897, '98, '99.
Middlesex and Essex.	Howard K. Sanderson,	Lynn,	July 10, 1865,	Williamsburgh,	Merchant,	1899.
First Worcester.	Charles G. Washburn,	Worcester,	Jan. 28, 1857,	Worcester,	Lawyer, manu- facturer.	1899.
Second	Francis A. Harrington,	Worcester,	Nov. 17, 1846,	Worcester,	Real estate,	1899.
Third	Samuel S. Gleason,	Gardner,	May 1, 1842,	Hubbardston,	Retired,	1899.
Fourth	Wilson H. Fairbank,	Warren,	Apr. 3, 1836,	Warren,	Contractor and builder	1898, '99.
Fifth	John E. McClellan,	Grafton,	Sept. 5, 1847,	Sutton,	Contractor,	1899.
Berkshire.	William A. Whittlesey,	Pittsfield,	Feb. 21, 1849,	Danbury, Conn.,	Treasurer and manager.	1898, '99.
Berkshire and Hampshire.	Thomas Post,	Lenox,	Aug. 16, 1834,	Lenox,	Lawyer,	1899.
Franklin and Hampshire.	Herbert C. Parsons,	Greenfield,	Jan. 15, 1862,	Northfield,	Journalist,	1899.
First Hampden,	Thomas W. Kenefick,	Palmer,	Sept. 17, 1855,	Leominster,	Lawyer,	1899.
Second	George N. Tyner,	Holyoke,	June 23, 1848,	Brookville, Ind.,	Manufacturer,	1899.
First Norfolk,		Braintree,	Oct. 4, 1857,	Randolph,	Manufacturer,	1899.
Second		Brookline,	Jan. 7, 1857,	Foxborough,	Lawyer,	1898, '99.
First Plymouth,		Hingham,	Oct. 28, 1849,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1898, '99.
Second		Brockton,	Jan. 30, 1857,	Plymouth,	Lawyer,	1898, '99.
First Bristol,		Raynham,	Feb. 23, 1847,	Bridgewater,	Lawyer,	1899.
Second	William Moran,	Fall River,	Sept. 6, 1855,	Manchester, Eng.,	Merchant,	1897, '98, '99.
Third	Rufus A. Soule,	New Bedford,	Mar. 16, 1839,	Mattapoisett,	Shoe manufacturer,	1896, '97, '98, '99.
Cape District.	Walter O. Luscombe,	Falmouth,	Aug. 19, 1851,	Taunton,	Merchant,	1899.

OFFICERS OF THE SENATE.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	1st Year in Office.
Henry D. Coolidge, <i>Clerk</i> ,	Concord, . . .	Aug. 26, 1858,	Chelsea, . . .	1889
William H. Sanger, <i>Assistant Clerk</i> ,	Boston, . . .	Mar. 12, 1862,	Louisville, Ky., .	1889
John G. B. Adams, <i>Sergeant-at-Arms</i> ,	Lynn, . . .	Oct. 6, 1841,	Groveland, . . .	1886
Rev. Edmund Dowse, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Sherborn, . . .	Jan. 30, 1813,	Sherborn, . . .	1880*

* Member of the Senate, 1869, 1870.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
HON. JOHN L. BATES, BOSTON, SPEAKER.

DISTRICTS.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	When in House.
BARNSTABLE COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . .	Aaron S. Crosby, . . .	Barnstable, . . .	Oct. 6, 1842,	Barnstable, . . .	General Business, . . .	1899
2, . . .	Darius M. Nickerson, Jr., . . .	Harwich, . . .	July 11, 1863,	Harwich, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1899
3, . . .	Robert E. Conwell, . . .	Provincetown, . . .	June 12, 1854,	Provincetown, . . .	Fish Dealer, . . .	1899
BERKSHIRE COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . .	Willard M. Brown, . . .	North Adams, . . .	Apr. 24, 1861,	North Adams, . . .	Provision Dealer, . . .	1899
2, . . .	Robert B. Harvie, . . .	North Adams, . . .	Oct. 28, 1841,	Troy, N. Y., . . .	Carriage Painter, . . .	1899
3, . . .	John F. Prindle, . . .	Williamstown, . . .	Sept. 15, 1851,	Williamstown, . . .	Farmer, . . .	1899
4, . . .	George Z. Dean, . . .	Cheshire, . . .	Feb. 22, 1844,	Cheshire, . . .	Merchant, . . .	1899
5, . . .	William Tolman, . . .	Pittsfield, . . .	June 2, 1858,	Lanesborough, . . .	Life Insurance, . . .	1894, '5, '6, '9
6, . . .	William Turtle, . . .	Pittsfield, . . .	June 20, 1855,	Cheshire, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1899
7, . . .	James S. Moore, . . .	West Stockbridge, . . .	May 31, 1842,	West Stockbridge, . . .	Druggist, . . .	1899
	Charles G. Smith, . . .	New Marlborough, . . .	— 1844,	Sheffield, . . .	Farmer, . . .	1899
	S. Hopkins Bushnell, . . .	Sheffield, . . .	Oct. 6, 1834,	Sheffield, . . .	Farmer, . . .	1899

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BRISTOL COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . .	Alfred R. Crosby, .	Attleborough, .	Aug. 30, 1838, .	Glover, Vt., .	Manufacturing Jeweller, .	1897, '8, '9
	Henry T. Horton, .	Rehoboth, .	Dec. 11, 1845, .	Rehoboth, .	Farmer,	1899
2,	Nathan W. Shaw, .	Raynham, .	Oct. 11, 1823, .	Raynham, .	Farmer,	1899
3,	Eugene E. Donovan, .	Taunton, .	Nov. 21, 1858, .	Andover, .	Dyer,	1898, '9
4,	Silas D. Reed, . .	Taunton, .	June 25, 1872, .	Taunton, .	Lawyer,	1897, '8, '9
5,	Clarence A. Briggs, .	Taunton, .	Aug. 21, 1871, .	Taunton, .	Manufacturing, . . .	1899
6,	Charles W. Howland, .	Dartmouth, .	Mar. 25, 1860, .	Dartmouth, .	Farmer,	1899
7,	John H. Lowe, . .	New Bedford, .	Jan. 8, 1848, .	New Bedford, .	Real Estate,	1899
	Samuel Ross, . . .	New Bedford, .	Feb. 2, 1865, .	Cheshire, Eng., .	Cotton Mule Spinner, .	1892, '3, '4, '5, '6, '7, '8, '9
8,	William J. Bullock, .	New Bedford, .	Jan. 31, 1864, .	Fall River, .	Pharmacist,	1898, '9
	Frank W. Francis, .	New Bedford, .	Sept. 16, 1857, .	New Bedford, .	Tobacconist,	1892, '6, '7, '8, '9
9,	William Hopewell, .	Fall River, .	June 1867, .	England, .	Clerk,	1899
	Robert Howard, . .	Fall River, .	May 7, 1855, .	Fall River, .	Clerk,	1899
10,	Thomas Donahue, .	Fall River, .	Aug. 20, 1853, .	Ireland, .	Clerk,	1895, '6, '7, '8, '9
	Michael B. Jones, .	Fall River, .	Aug. 20, 1864, .	Fall River, .	Salesman,	1898, '9
11,	Wilfred Ainsworth, .	Fall River, .	Mar. 31, 1867, .	England, .	Furniture Dealer, . .	1899
	Alexander Lockhart, .	Fall River, .	Dec. 22, 1854, .	North of Ireland, .	Groceries and Provisions, .	1897, '8, '9
	Andrew H. Morrison, .	Fall River, .	June 27, 1871, .	Fall River, .	Dry Goods Merchant, .	1898, '9
DUNES COUNTY.						
No. 1,	William S. Swift, .	Tisbury, . .	Nov. 1, 1860, .	Tisbury, . .	Groceries and Provisions, .	1898, '9

Essex County.									
No. 1, .	Daniel W. Davis, .	Amesbury, .	Oct. 3, 1846,	Shapleigh, Me.,	Teacher, .	1897, '8, '9			
2, .	Benjamin F. Stanley,	Newburyport,	Nov. 6, 1823,	No. Berwick, Me.,	Shlp Carpenter, .	1898, '9			
3, .	Louis M. Scates, .	Haverhill, .	Jan. 17, 1863,	Georgetown, .	Shoemaker, .	1899			
4, .	George H. Carleton,	Haverhill, .	Aug. 6, 1840,	Haverhill, .	President Savings Bank,	1898, '9			
5, .	James F. Carey, .	Haverhill, .	Aug. 19, 1867,	Haverhill, .	Shoemaker, .	1899			
6, .	Guy W. Currier,	Methuen, .	Dec. 22, 1867,	Lawrence, .	Lawyer, .	1899			
	Archie N. Frost,	Lawrence, .	July 26, 1872,	Lawrence, .	Lawyer, .	1899			
7, .	Richard Cullinane, .	Lawrence, .	Feb. 2, 1859,	Ireland, .	Architect, .	1897, '8, '9			
	William Daly, .	Lawrence, .	Apr. 3, 1864,	Lawrence, .	Teamster, .	1899			
	Mortimer D A. Murphy,	Lawrence, .	May 9, 1867,	Lawrence, .	Mill Hand, .	1899			
8, .	William Odlin, .	Andover, .	Apr. 5, 1865,	Laconia, N. H.,	Lawyer, .	1897, '9			
9, .	William T. Pike, .	Groveland,	Aug. 23, 1854,	Groveland, .	General Dealer, .	1899			
10, .	Addison P. Learoyd,	Danvers, .	Feb. 11, 1838,	Danvers, .	Town Treasurer, .	1898, '9			
	Abelard E. Wells, .	Peabody, .	June 17, 1854,	Portland, Me.,	Insurance, .	1898, '9			
11, .	James F. Seavey, .	Lynn, .	Dec. 6, 1842,	Greenland, N. H.,	Contractor and Bullder, .	1898, '9			
	Robert S. Sisson,	Lynn, .	June 4, 1846,	Lynn, .	Insurance and Real Estate,	1898, '9			
12, .	Charles E. Haywood,	Lynn, .	Oct. 11, 1868,	Amsterdam, N. Y.,	Lawyer, .	1899			
	Thomas F. Porter, .	Lynn, .	Oct. 30, 1847,	Paradise, N. S.,	Insurance and Real Estate,	1899			
13, .	Charles H. Ramsdell,	Lynn, .	Sept. 26, 1840,	Lynn, .	Grocer and Real Estate, .	1898, '9			
	William R. Salter, .	Lynn, .	July 6, 1861,	Eastport, Me.,	Shoemaker, .	1899			
14, .	Frank P. Bennett, .	Saugus, .	May 2, 1853,	Cambridge, .	Farmer and Journalist,	1891, '2, '3, '4, '8, '9			
	George F. Harwood,	Lynn, .	July 7, 1844,	England, .	Real Estate, .	1898, '9			
15, .	William Bridgeo, .	Marblehead, .	Oct. 14, 1849,	Marblehead, .	Shoe Business, .	1898, '9			

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Essex Co. — Con.						
No. 16, .	William D. Chapple, .	Salem, .	Aug. 6, 1868,	Salem, .	Lawyer, .	1897, '8, '9
17, .	J. Frank Dalton, .	Salem, .	Apr. 19, 1842,	Salem, .	Insurance and Real Estate,	1898, '9
18, .	Charles E. Trow, .	Salem, .	Apr. 18, 1833,	Hamilton, .	Journalist, .	1897, '8, '9
19, .	Samuel Cole, .	Beverly, .	Dec. 16, 1856,	Rutland, Vt., .	Market Gardener, .	1897, '8, '9
20, .	Franklin K. Hooper, .	Manchester, .	Feb. 2, 1849,	Manchester, .	Provision Dealer, .	1899
	John Favor, .	Gloucester, .	Mar. 1, 1859,	Gloucester, .	Electrical Contractor, .	1898, '9
	Charles S. Marchant, .	Gloucester, .	Aug. 31, 1845,	Gloucester, .	Soap Manufacturer, .	1899
21, .	Leander M. Haskins, .	Rockport, .	June 20, 1842,	Rockport, .	Isinglass Manufacturer, .	1898, '9
22, .	Francis D. Henderson, .	Rowley, .	Mar. 6, 1847,	Hamilton, .	Retired, .	1899
	Charles P. Mills, .	Newburyport, .	Aug. 22, 1853,	Yellow Springs, O.,	Clergyman, .	1897, '8, '9
FRANKLIN COUNTY.						
No. 1, .	Joseph C. Severance, .	Shelburne, .	Sept. 7, 1841,	Conway, .	Farmer, .	1899
2, .	William A. Davenport, .	Greenfield, .	Oct. 23, 1869,	Wilmington, Vt., .	Lawyer, .	1899
3, .	John E. Kavenaugh, .	Montague, .	Oct. 19, 1864,	New Britain, Conn.,	Law Student, .	1899
4, .	Charles C. Brooks, .	Orange, .	May 3, 1851,	Wendell, .	Merchant, .	1899
HAMPDEN COUNTY.						
No. 1, .	Nelson A. Bugbee, .	Monson, .	Aug. 8, 1853,	Staffordville, Conn.,	Inspector Straw Goods, .	1899
2, .	Calvin S. Miller, .	Southwick, .	Dec. 22, 1833,	Pomfret, Vt., .	Farmer, .	1896, '9
3, .	Lewis D. Robinson, .	Springfield, .	June 21, 1842,	Hardwick, .	Merchant, .	1899
	Willmore B. Stone, .	Springfield, .	June 24, 1853,	East Longmeadow,	Lawyer, .	1896, '7, '8, '9

4, .	Albert T. Folsom, .	Springfield, .	Nov. 9, 1831,	Freeport, Me.,	Retired, .	1897, '8, '9
	Herbert C. Puffer, .	Springfield, .	Feb. 3, 1842,	Sudbury, .	Flour and Grain Merchant, .	1899
5, .	Edward M. Lombard, .	Springfield, .	Aug. 31, 1843,	Springfield, .	Manufact'r and Real Estate, .	1899
6, .	Daniel J. Driscoll, 2d, .	Chicopee, .	Nov. 20, 1867,	Chicopee, .	Polisher, .	1898, '9
7, .	Thomas J. Dillon, .	Holyoke, .	Apr. 20, 1869,	Holyoke, .	Book-keeper, .	1899
	Thomas J. Dooling, .	Holyoke, .	Jan. 28, 1868,	Holyoke, .	Beamer, .	1897, '8, '9
8, .	William E. Judd, .	Holyoke, .	Sept. 3, 1855,	Grand Rapids, Mich.	Teacher, .	1899
9, .	Andrew Campbell,*.	Westfield, .	May 3, 1826,	New York, .	Painter, .	1897, '8, '9
	Frank S. Dewey, Jr.,	Westfield, .	Mar. 22, 1857,	Westfield, .	Druggist, .	1899
HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.						
No. 1, .	Charles S. Crouch, .	Northampton, .	— 1833,	Wadsworth, Vt.,	Contractor and Bullder, .	1898, '9
	William H. Felker, .	Northampton, .	Mar. 11, 1870,	Northampton, .	Lawyer, .	1899
2, .	Charles H. Upton, .	Easthampton, .	June 4, 1848,	Northampton, .	Supt. Seminary Property, .	1899
3, .	George E. Fisher, .	Amherst, .	Jan. 22, 1823,	Harvard, .	Clergyman, .	1867, '97, '9
4, .	Merrick A. Morse, .	Belchertown, .	May 1, 1847,	Belchertown, .	Farmer, .	1899
MIDDLESEX COUNTY.						
No. 1, .	James J. Myers, .	Cambridge, .	Nov. 20, 1842,	Frewsburg, N. Y., .	Lawyer, .	1893, '4, '5, '6, '7, '8, '9
2, .	William R. Davis, .	Cambridge, .	Mar. 8, 1862,	W. Appleton, Me.,	Cooper, .	1897, '8, '9
	James A. Montgomery, .	Cambridge, .	May 17, 1863,	Cambridge, .	Salesman, .	1898, '9
3, .	Cornelius Minihan, .	Cambridge, .	Aug. 15, 1862,	Ireland, .	Grocer, .	1899
4, .	Daniel S. Coolidge, .	Cambridge, .	Sept 21, 1845,	Sherborn, .	Laundry, .	1898, '9
	Charles P. Keith, .	Cambridge, .	Mar. 14, 1843,	Newport, N. H., .	Insurance and Real Estate, .	1898, '9
5, .	Albert S. Apsey, .	Cambridge, .	Nov. 27, 1870,	Cambridge, .	Lawyer, .	1898, '9

* Died May 24.

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MIDDLESEX Co.— <i>Con.</i>						
No. 6, . . .	Horace C. White, . . .	Somerville, . . .	Jan. 26, 1836, . . .	Bowdoin, Me., . . .	Physician and Surgeon, . . .	1897, '8, '9
7, . . .	Frank E. Fitts, . . .	Somerville, . . .	May 26, 1848, . . .	Lowell, . . .	Merchant, . . .	1899
	Franklin E. Huntress, . . .	Somerville, . . .	Apr. 19, 1866, . . .	Biddeford, Me., . . .	Manufacturer and Agent, . . .	1897, '8, '9
	Robert Luce, . . .	Somerville, . . .	Dec. 2, 1862, . . .	Auburn, Me., . . .	Press Clipping Bureau, . . .	1899
8, . . .	Leonard B. Chandler, . . .	Somerville, . . .	Aug. 29, 1861, . . .	Princeton, . . .	Milk Dealer, . . .	1897, '8, '9
9, . . .	Nicholas B. Keyou, . . .	Medford, . . .	Apr. 25, 1828, . . .	Houlton, Me., . . .	Tobaccoonist, . . .	1899
10, . . .	Edward C. Mead, . . .	Everett, . . .	Dec. 25, 1858, . . .	Concord, N. H., . . .	Builder, . . .	1899
	H. Huestis Newton, . . .	Everett, . . .	Dec. 2, 1860, . . .	Truro, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1897, '8, '9
11, . . .	John A. Powers, . . .	Malden, . . .	Sept. 15, 1853, . . .	Boston, . . .	Hardware and Plumbing, . . .	1898, '9
	William Schofield, . . .	Malden, . . .	Feb. 14, 1857, . . .	Dudley, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1899
	Henry E. Turner, . . .	Malden, . . .	May 4, 1842, . . .	Boston, . . .	Corporation Treasurer, . . .	1899, '90, '1, '9
12, . . .	John F. Libby, . . .	Medford, . . .	Feb. 3, 1863, . . .	Richmond, Me., . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1898, '9
13, . . .	J. Howell Crosby, . . .	Arlington, . . .	Dec. 30, 1867, . . .	Belmont, . . .	Market Gardener, . . .	1899
14, . . .	Henry R. Skinner, . . .	Watertown, . . .	May 9, 1860, . . .	Foxborough, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1899
15, . . .	George F. Leslie, . . .	Waltham, . . .	Sept. 12, 1850, . . .	Machias, Me., . . .	Insurance and Real Estate, . . .	1899
	Charles F. A. Smith, . . .	Waltham, . . .	July 18, 1866, . . .	Medford, . . .	Lawyer, . . .	1899
16, . . .	N. Henry Chadwick, . . .	Newton, . . .	Mar. 17, 1838, . . .	Bradford, Vt., . . .	Builder, . . .	1899
	John T. Langford, . . .	Newton, . . .	Feb. 8, 1842, . . .	Fall River, . . .	Contracting Engineer, . . .	1899
17, . . .	Henry L. Brown, . . .	Weston, . . .	Jan. 10, 1840, . . .	Weston, . . .	Farmer, . . .	1899
18, . . .	Timothy F. Sullivan, . . .	Natick, . . .	Aug. 21, 1867, . . .	Natick, . . .	Man'g'r Bay State Instal. Co., . . .	1899

19, .	.	Albert H. Ray.	.	Ashland,	.	May 24, 1865,	Brewer, Me., .	Printer,	.	1899
20, .	.	Horatio F. Twombly,	.	Framingham,	.	Jan. 30, 1865,	Falls Village, Conn ,	Real Estate and Building,	.	1899
21, .	.	George Balcom,	.	Marlborough,	.	Jan. 23, 1832,	Concord,	Janitor,	.	1898, '9
22, .	.	William M. Brigham,*	.	Marlborough,	.	Jan. 23, 1864,	Marlborough,	Lawyer,	.	1899
23, .	.	Charles H. Persons,	.	Maynard,	.	Jan. 5, 1859,	Holyoke,	Merchant,	.	1899
24, .	.	Herbert J. Harwood,	.	Littleton,	.	Sept. 6, 1854,	Littleton,	Farmer,	.	1899
25, .	.	Charles H. Miller,	.	Pepperell,	.	Jan. 14, 1848,	Pepperell,	Contractor and Builder,	.	1883, '99
	.	William H. I. Hayes,	.	Lowell,	.	June 21, 1848,	Boston,	Cigar Manufacturer,	.	1893, '4, '5, '6, '7, '8, '9
	.	William J. Quigley,	.	Chelmsford,	.	Apr. 14, 1861,	North Chelmsford,	Iron Moulder,	.	1899
26, .	.	Walter S. Watson,	.	Lowell,	.	Sept. 11, 1851,	Quincy,	Manufacturer,	.	1899
	.	Arthur H. Ciner,	.	Lowell,	.	Apr. 12, 1853,	Stoughton,	Harness Maker,	.	1899
	.	Matthew M. Mansfield,	.	Lowell,	.	Sept. 25, 1866,	Lowell,	Clothing Clerk,	.	1899
27, .	.	George E. Varney,	.	Lowell,	.	July 8, 1864,	Thorndike, Me.,	Corduroy Cutter,	.	1899
	.	Butler Ames,	.	Lowell,	.	Aug. 22, 1871,	Lowell,	Agent Wameset Power Co.,	.	1898, '9
28, .	.	John T. Sparks,	.	Dracut,	.	July 9, 1865,	Uxbridge,	Drug Business,	.	1899
	.	James W. Grimes,	.	Reading,	.	Nov. 21, 1865,	Hillsborough, N. H.,	Lawyer,	.	1897, '8, '9
	.	Alva S. Wood,	.	Woburn,	.	May 12, 1828,	Woburn,	Book-keeper,	.	1897, '8, '9
29, .	.	Charles A. Dean,	.	Wakefield,	.	— 1856,	England,	Rattan Furniture,	.	1898, '9
30, .	.	William H. Marden,	.	Stoneham,	.	May 30, 1843,	Charlestown,	Travelling Agent,	.	1895, '6, '7, '8, '9
31, .	.	Charles H. Adams,	.	Melrose,	.	Apr. 22, 1859,	Rochester, N. H.,	Newspaper Publisher,	.	1899
NANTUCKET COUNTY.										
No. 1, .	.	David B. Andrews,	.	Nantucket,	.	Aug. 12, 1838,	Nantucket,	Captain Pleasure Yacht,	.	1899

* Resigned June 3.

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NORFOLK COUNTY.						
No. 1, .	David Neal, .	Dedham, .	Apr. 18, 1828,	Palermo, Me.,	Grocer, .	1899
2, .	Benjamin C. Dean, .	Brookline, .	Mar. 8, 1843,	Lowell, .	Treasurer, .	1899
3, .	Walter S. Weston, .	Hyde Park, .	Nov. 12, 1852,	Duxbury, .	Contractor and Builder, .	1899
4, .	Frederic P. Drake, .	Canton, .	Mar. 16, 1851,	Canton, .	Carpenter, .	1898, '9
5, .	Eben W. Sheppard, .	Quincy, .	May 7, 1860,	Greenwich, N. J.,	Coal Dealer, .	1899
6, .	Eugene H. Sprague, .	Quincy, .	May 23, 1864,	Islesboro, Me.,	Wholesale Provisions, .	1899
	Martin E. Hawes, .	Weymouth, .	Oct. 25, 1834,	Weymouth, .	Publisher and Editor, .	1898, '9
	John B. Whelan, .	Weymouth, .	Feb. 19, 1864,	Weymouth, .	Salesman, .	1899
7, .	Charles F. King, .	Holbrook, .	Jan. 29, 1871,	Randolph, .	Piano Salesman, .	1899
8, .	Silas A. Stone, .	Sharon, .	Feb. 3, 1843,	Norton, .	Horses, Car'g's, etc., Farmer, .	1899
9, .	Allen F. Smith, .	Dover, .	Sept. 27, 1862,	Dover, .	Farmer, .	1899
	Lester L. Burrington, .	Franklin, .	Mar. 24, 1838,	Burke, Vt.,	Teacher, .	1899
10, .	George F. Williams, .	Foxborough, .	Apr. 23, 1856,	Foxborough, .	Expressing, .	1898, '9
PLYMOUTH COUNTY.						
No. 1, .	William S. Kyle, .	Plymouth, .	July 12, 1851,	Quebec, Canada,	Manufact'r Electric Wires, .	1898, '9
2, .	Albert M. Goulding, .	Duxbury, .	May 17, 1844,	Worcester, .	Farmer, .	1899
3, .	Edward E. Wentworth, .	Cobasset, .	July 27, 1845,	Waterville, Me.,	Deputy Sheriff, .	1898, '9
4, .	Elisba T. Harvell, .	Rockland, .	Dec. 18, 1841,	South Weymouth, .	Manufacturer, .	1899
5, .	Franklin P. Harlow, .	Whitman, .	Dec. 8, 1827,	Springfield, Vt.,	Mechanic, .	1871, '2, '24, '5,
6, .	Albert Rounsaville, .	Rochester, .	May 10, 1871,	Rochester, .	Stationary Engineer, .	'8, '9
7, .	William C. Litchfield, .	Middleborough, .	Mar. 31, 1840,	Norwell, .	Clergyman, .	1899
						1879, '99

8, .	Curtis Eddy, .	West Bridgewater, .	May 18, 1838,	Plymouth, .	Carpenter and Bullder, .	1877, '99
9, .	Eugene B. Estes, .	Brockton, .	Dec. 7, 1850,	West Bridgewater,	Agt. American Service Union,	1897, '8, '9
10, .	Portus B. Hancock, .	Brockton, .	Feb. 19, 1836,	Coventry, Vt., .	Insurance and Real Estate,	1899
11, .	John J. Whipple, .	Brockton, .	Dec. 31, 1847,	Worcester, .	Bank President, .	1885, '98, '9
	David W. Battles, .	Brockton, .	Jan. 20, 1854,	North Bridgewater,	Oversear, .	1892, '8, '9
SUFFOLK COUNTY.						
No. 1, .	John L. Bates, .	East Boston, .	Sept. 18, 1859,	North Easton,	Lawyer, .	{ 1894, '5, '6, '7, '8, '9
2, .	Hugh L. Stalker, .	East Boston, .	Dec. 31, 1857,	Nova Scotia, .	Grocer, .	1897, '8, '9
	James H. Donovan,	East Boston, .	Aug. 31, 1855,	England, .	Produce Dealer, .	1899
3, .	John J. Douglass, .	East Boston, .	Feb. 9, 1873,	Boston, .	Lawyer, .	1899
	Jeremiah F. McCarthy, .	Charlestown, .	July 7, 1856,	Charlestown, .	Wines and Spirits, .	1899
4, .	John I. Toland, .	Charlestown, .	— 1874,	Boston, .	Printer, .	1899
	Thomas H. Green, .	Charlestown, .	Mar. 17, 1847,	Ireland, .	Grocer, .	1899
5, .	Jeremiah J. McCarthy,*	Charlestown, .	Mar. 29, 1852,	Boston, .	Surveyor, Port of Boston, {	1893, '4, '5, '6, '7, '8, '9
	William J. Miller, .	Charlestown, .	June 8, 1867,	Boston, .	Lawyer, .	1898, '9
6, .	Edmund J. Twomey, .	Charlestown, .	July 16, 1860,	Boston, .	Store-keeper, .	1898, '9
	Michael J. Donovan,	Boston, .	Nov. 1, 1864,	Boston, .	Clerk, .	1899
7, .	Daniel J. Kane, .	Boston, .	Apr. 14, 1872,	Boston, .	Stenographer, .	1898, '9
	William T. A. Fitzgerald,	Boston, .	Dec. 19, 1871,	Boston, .	Lawyer, .	1898, '9
8, .	Thomas Mackey, .	Boston, .	Aug. 12, 1865,	Watertown, N. Y.,	Metal Cornice Work, .	1898, '9
	Edward J. Donovan,	Boston, .	Mar. 16, 1864,	Boston, .	-	1887, '8, '99
9, .	Martin M. Lomasney, .	Boston, .	Dec. 3, 1859,	Boston, .	Real Estate, .	1899
	John J. Gartland, Jr.,	Boston, .	Nov. 27, 1871,	Boston, .	Book-keeper, .	1898, '9
	David A. Mahoney, .	Boston, .	Dec. 21, 1867,	Boston, .	Salesman, .	1898, '9

* Resigned June 8.

APPENDIX.

District.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	When in House.
SUFFOLK Co.—Con.						
No. 10, .	Charles S. Clerke, .	Boston, .	Jan. 10, 1850,	Falmouth, .	Merchant, .	1898, '9
	William C. Parker, .	Boston, .	Apr. 12, 1858,	Wakefield, .	Lawyer, .	1899
11, .	Charles R. Saunders, .	Boston, .	Nov. 22, 1862,	Cambridge, .	Lawyer, .	1898, '9
	George S. Selfridge, .	Boston, .	Sept. 25, 1868,	Portland, Me., .	Lawyer, .	1898, '9
12, .	John B. Dumond, .	Boston, .	Dec. 25, 1862,	Kingston, N. Y., .	Mechanical Engineer, .	1898, '9
	Edward P. Sands, .	Boston, .	Feb. 14, 1871,	Boston, .	-	1899
13, .	Hugh W. Breenahan, .	South Boston, .	Nov. 25, 1869,	Boston, .	Clerk, .	1898, '9
	Frederick C. Mahony, .	South Boston, .	June 18, 1875,	Boston, .	Student, .	1899
14, .	Michael J. Sullivan, .	South Boston, .	Oct. 23, 1870,	Boston, .	Lawyer, .	1899
	John J. Toomey, .	South Boston, .	Sept. 18, 1868,	Boston, .	Newspaper Reporter, .	1897, '9
15, .	William Kells, Jr., .	South Boston, .	Oct. 23, 1861,	Boston, .	Shirt Cutter, .	1898, '9
	Daniel V. McIsaac, .	South Boston, .	Nov. 6, 1871,	Pembroke, Me., .	Lawyer, .	1899
16, .	Frederick W. Farwell, .	Dorchester, .	Nov. 29, 1854,	Boston, .	Manufact'r Kindling Wood, .	1899
	Arthur P. Russell, .	Dorchester, .	June 16, 1871,	Leominster, .	Clerk, .	1899
17, .	John P. Lanergan, .	Roxbury, .	Dec. 31, 1874,	Boston, .	Bottler, .	1899
	James H. Queeney, .	Roxbury, .	Apr. 23, 1865,	Boston, .	Produce Dealer, .	1899
18, .	Thomas A. Conroy, .	Roxbury, .	Sept. 9, 1869,	Boston, .	Clerk, .	1898, '9
	Michael E. Gaddis, .	Roxbury, .	Feb. 21, 1869,	Boston, .	Contractor, .	1898, '9
19, .	John J. Flanagan, .	Roxbury, .	Dec. 4, 1869,	Ireland, .	Machinist, .	1899
	Oliver S. Grant, .	Roxbury, .	Apr. 30, 1866,	Boston, .	Electrician, .	1897, '8, '9

WORCESTER COUNTY.

20, .	Frank A. Foster, .	Dorchester, .	Feb. 15, 1859,	Boston, .	Civil Engineer, .	1899
	Joseph I. Stewart, .	Dorchester, .	Apr. 25, 1847,	New Brunswick,	Real Estate, .	1897, '8, '9
21, .	Richard F. Andrews, Jr.,	Roxbury, .	Apr. 13, 1863,	Lynn, .	Real Estate, .	1897, '8, '9
	William E. Skillings, .	Roxbury, .	Oct. 23, 1843,	Boston, .	Lumber Merchant,	1897, '8, '9
22, .	John Bleiler, .	Roxbury, .	May 9, 1837,	Germany, .	Provision Dealer,	1897, '8, '9
	Randolph V. King, .	Jamaica Plain,	Jan. 20, 1853,	Philadelphia, Pa.,	Law Student,	1898, '9
23, .	John M. Minton, .	Jamaica Plain,	Mar. 23, 1872,	Boston, .	Lawyer, .	1899
	Albert B. Root, .	Jamaica Plain,	June 13, 1858,	Greenfield, .	Horseshoer, .	1899
24, .	Fred C. Gilpatric, .	Dorchester, .	Aug. 22, 1865,	Bliddeford, Me.,	Lawyer, .	1899
	Harry B. Whall, .	Dorchester, .	Sept. 5, 1868,	Dorchester, .	Real Estate, .	1899
25, .	Leonard W. Ross, .	Brighton, .	Oct. 5, 1856,	Worcester, .	Landscape Architect,	1898, '9
	William D. Wheeler, .	Allston, .	May 7, 1868,	Charlestown, .	Apothecary, .	1899
26, .	Wallace Spooner, .	Chelsea, .	Nov. 28, 1856,	Boston, .	Printer, .	1899
27, .	Edward E. Willard, .	Chelsea, .	Sept. 25, 1862,	Lancaster, .	Travelling Salesman,	1895, '6, '8, '9
28, .	Willard Howland, .	Chelsea, .	Dec. 3, 1852,	Pembroke, .	Lawyer, .	1899, '90, '9
No. 1, .	Phineas S. Newton, .	Royalston, .	Aug. 2, 1833,	Royalston, .	Manufacturer and Farmer, .	1899
2, .	George N. Dyer, .	Gardner, .	Dec. 17, 1850,	Templeton, .	Brick Manufacturer, .	1896, '9
	Francis Leland, .	Templeton, .	Oct. 3, 1839,	Templeton, .	Merchant, .	1898, '9
3, .	Austin F. Adams, .	Barre, .	July 15, 1840,	Barre, .	Farmer, .	1898
4, .	Ward N. Boylston, .	Princeton, .	Dec. 17, 1871,	Jamaica Plain,	Farmer and Merchant,	1899
5, .	Charles V. Corey, .	Sturbridge, .	July 8, 1838,	Sturbridge, .	Farmer, .	1899
6, .	Eugene D. Marchesseault,	Spencer, .	Sept. 29, 1865,	Spencer, .	Restaurateur, .	1899
7, .	Edwin Bartlett, .	Oxford, .	Oct. 25, 1833,	Webster, .	Manufacturer Cotton Yarns,	1899
	Joseph P. Love, .	Webster, .	Aug. 26, 1862,	Ireland, .	Merchant, .	1899

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DISTRICTS.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	When in House.
WORCESTER CO.— <i>Con.</i>						
No. 8, .	George J. Dudley, .	Sutton, .	Feb. 17, 1849,	Sutton, .	Farmer, .	1899
9, .	Charles H. Harriman, .	Northbridge, .	Nov. 16, 1852,	Goffstown, N. H., .	Physician, .	1891, '9
	Arthur A. Simmons, .	Grafton, .	Jan. 28, 1852,	Providence, R. I., .	Bank Cashier, .	1899
10, .	Henry L. Chase, .	Westborough, .	Feb. 6, 1853,	Lynn, .	Provision Dealer, .	1899
	Clifford A. Cook, .	Milford, .	Sept. 3, 1860,	Milford, .	Lawyer, .	1899
11, .	Guilford P. Heath, .	Northborough, .	Sept. 3, 1842,	Barre, Vt., .	Farmer, .	1899
	S. Ives Wallace, .	Clinton, .	Feb. 2, 1864,	Holland, .	Flour and Grain Merchant, .	1899
12, .	James A. Litchfield, .	Lunenburg, .	Mar. 14, 1844,	Lunenburg, .	Retired, .	1899
13, .	Charles H. Blood,* .	Fitchburg, .	Dec. 10, 1858,	Fitchburg, .	Lawyer, .	1899
	Albert H. Burgess, .	Fitchburg, .	May 19, 1843,	Grafton, Vt., .	Druggist, .	1898, '9
14, .	Alexander S. Paton, .	Leominster, .	Nov. 20, 1854,	Dumbarton, Scot., .	Horn Goods Manufacturer, .	1898, '9
15, .	J. Lewis Ellsworth, .	Worcester, .	Nov. 8, 1848,	Barre, .	Market Gardener, .	1899
16, .	John P. Munroe, .	Worcester, .	June 28, 1850,	Concord, N. H., .	Life Assurance Agent, .	1899
17, .	William I. McLoughlin, .	Worcester, .	Jan. 16, 1872,	Worcester, .	Lawyer, .	1898, '9
18, .	James H. Mellen, .	Worcester, .	Oct. 7, 1845,	Worcester, .	-	1877, '8, '9, 1881, '3, '6, '8, '9, 1891, '2, '3, '4, '5, '6, '9
19, .	John G. Hagberg, .	Worcester, .	Aug. 24, 1873,	Sweden, .	Men's Clothing, .	1899
20, .	James Hunt, .	Worcester, .	Jan., 1833,	England, .	Deputy Sheriff, .	1899
21, .	Charles R. Johnson, .	Worcester, .	Dec. 28, 1852,	Dana, .	Lawyer, .	1898, '9
22, .	Charles T. Tatman, .	Worcester, .	Dec. 16, 1871,	Worcester, .	Lawyer, .	1899

* Resigned June 8.

OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	First Year in Office.
James W. Kimball, <i>Clerk</i> ,	Lynn,	Dec. 17, 1858,	Lynn,	Printer,	1897
Frank E. Bridgman, <i>Assistant Clerk</i> ,	Boston,	Mar. 28, 1869,	Springfield,	-	1897
John G. B. Adams, <i>Sergeant-at-Arms</i> ,	Lynn,	Oct. 6, 1841,	Groveland,	-	1886
Rev. Daniel W. Waldron, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Boston,	Nov. 11, 1840,	Augusta, Me.,	Clergyman,	1879

[No. 2.]

RULES AND ORDERS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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SPEAKER.

1. The Speaker shall take the chair at the hour to which the House stands adjourned, call the members to order, and, on the appearance of a quorum, proceed to business. (Senate Rule 1.)

2. He shall preserve decorum and order; may speak to points of order in preference to other members; and shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the House. (2.)

[With regard to appeals, see rules 83 and 94.]

3. He shall declare all votes, subject to verification as hereinafter provided. (53.)

[See Rules 65 to 69.]

4. In all cases he may vote. (3.)

5. He shall rise to put a question, or to address the House, but may read sitting. (2.)

6. He shall each day examine the Journal of the House.

7. He may appoint a member to perform the duties of the chair for a period not exceeding three days at one time. (4.)

[Amended Jan. 14, 1892.]

8. In case of a vacancy in the office of Speaker, or in case the Speaker or the member named by him in accordance with the preceding rule is absent at the hour to which the House stands adjourned, the senior member present shall call the House to order, and shall preside until a Speaker *pro tempore* or a Speaker is elected by ballot, which shall be the first business in order. (5.)

MONITORS.

9. Two monitors shall be appointed by the Speaker for each division of the House, whose duty it shall be to see to the due observance of the rules and, on request of the Speaker, to return the number of votes and members in their respective divisions.

10. If a member transgress any of the rules after being notified thereof by a monitor, it shall be the duty of such monitor to report the case to the House.

[See Rule 19.]

CLERK.

11. The Clerk shall keep the Journal of the House. He shall enter therein a record of each day's proceedings, and submit it to the Speaker before the hour fixed for the next sitting, and shall cause the same to be printed daily. (6.)

[Amended Jan. 16, 1888.]

12. Every question of order with the decision thereon shall be entered at large in the journal, and shall be noted in an appendix, which shall also contain the rules of the House, and of the two branches. (6.)

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

13. The Clerk shall prepare and cause to be printed each day a calendar of matters in order for consideration; a list of matters lying on the table; and such other memoranda as the House or the Speaker may direct. (7.)

[Amended Jan. 16, 1888.]

14. Any objection to the calendar shall be made and disposed of before the House votes to proceed to the consideration of the Orders of the Day.

15. The Clerk shall retain bills and other papers, in reference to which any member has a right to move a reconsideration (except petitions, enacted bills, orders of inquiry and orders of notice), until the right of reconsideration has expired: *provided*, that the operation of this rule shall be suspended during the last week of the session. (8.)

MEMBERS.

16. No member shall stand up to the inconvenience of others, while a member is speaking; or pass unnecessarily between the Speaker of the House and the member speaking;

or stand in the passages, or in the area in front of the chair; or stand at the Clerk's desk while a roll-call is in progress.

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

17. No member shall be absent more than two days, without leave of the House. No member shall absent himself from the House without leave, unless there be a quorum without his presence. When it appears to the presiding officer that the presence of a quorum is endangered he shall order the doors to be closed until the House takes action thereon. (11.)

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

18. Papers in possession of a member obtaining leave of absence, or at the end of the session, shall be left by him with the Clerk.

19. If a member is guilty of a breach of any of the rules, he may be required by the House, on motion, to make satisfaction therefor; and until he has done so, he shall not be allowed to vote or speak, except by way of excuse.

[See Rule 10.]

COMMITTEES.

20. At the beginning of the political year, standing committees shall be appointed as follows:— (12.)

A committee on Rules;

(to consist of the Speaker, who shall be chairman of the committee, and eight other members).

A committee on Ways and Means;

A committee on the Judiciary;

(to consist of eleven members each).

A committee on Elections;

(to consist of seven members).

A committee on Bills in the Third Reading;

A committee on Engrossed Bills;

A committee on Pay-Roll;

(to consist of three members each).

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891; Jan. 2, 1896; Jan. 11, 1897; Jan. 10, 1898.]

21. Unless other provision is made in any case all committees shall be appointed by the Speaker, and the member first named shall be chairman. (13.)

22. In case of the election of a committee by ballot, the member having the highest number of votes shall be chairman. (13.)

23. No member shall be required to be on more than two committees at the same time, or chairman of more than one.

24. No member shall serve on any committee in any question where his private right is immediately concerned, distinct from the public interest. (10.)

25. The committee on Ways and Means shall report, in appropriation bills, only such items of expenditure as are authorized by law, or such as the committee has been directed by the House to insert, and shall state in its report the total amount of appropriations in the accompanying bill; and also at the end of each item in said bill the amount, if any, appropriated the previous year for the same purpose.

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891; Jan. 2, 1896.]

26. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading shall examine and correct the bills which are referred to it, for the purpose of avoiding repetitions and unconstitutional provisions, insuring accuracy in the text and references, and consistency with the language of existing statutes: *provided*, that any change in the sense or legal effect, or any material change in construction, shall be reported to the House as an amendment. (33.)

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880.]

27. The committee on Engrossed Bills shall carefully examine and compare engrossed bills, and report them, rightly and truly engrossed, when found to be so, without delay. (34.)

28. All resolutions, bills and resolves for introduction on leave, intended for presentation by any member of the House, and all reports of State officers, shall first be deposited with the Clerk, and prior to their presentation shall be submitted by him to the Speaker for his examination; and not later than the fourth legislative day succeeding the day of their deposit with the Clerk, the Speaker shall, before the orders of the day are considered, present the same to the House, when they, in the case of resolutions, bills and resolves, shall be read, and shall by the Speaker with the consent of the House be referred to the appropriate committee; and all such resolutions, bills and resolves shall be printed under direction of the Clerk. They shall retain their original provided numbers, when reprinted, together with new numbers thereafter, during all subsequent stages. All petitions asking for legislation shall, if accompanied by a bill or resolve embodying the subject-matter prayed for, be referred with such bill or resolve as provided above. The same disposition shall be made of petitions and remonstrances referring to matters previously sent to a committee. Petitions not so ac-

accompanied shall be retained in the custody of the Clerk until a bill or resolve embodying the legislation prayed for shall be filed with him, when he shall present the same to the Speaker, to be disposed of as provided above. The House may at any time by order make any other disposition of petitions and remonstrances in the hands of the Clerk. (20.)

[Adopted Jan. 13, 1893; amended Jan. 11, March 30, 1894, and March 14, 1899.]

29. Any petition remaining in the hands of the Clerk subsequent to five o'clock in the afternoon on the last secular day in January, for the reason that no bill or resolve embodying the legislation prayed for has been presented, shall be forthwith submitted by him to the Speaker, and by him, at the legislative session next succeeding, be referred to the next General Court. This rule shall not be rescinded or revoked or suspended except by a vote of four-fifths of the members present and voting thereon. (22.)

[Adopted Jan. 13, 1893; amended Jan. 11, 1894; Jan. 10, 1898.]

30. When the object of an application can be secured without a special act under existing laws, or, without detriment to the public interests, by a general law, the committee to which the matter is referred shall report such general law, or leave to withdraw, or ought not to pass, as the case may be. (16.)

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880; Jan. 13, 1893.]

31. No legislation affecting the rights of individuals or the rights of a private or municipal corporation, otherwise than as it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth or the people of the city or town to which it specifically applies, shall be proposed or introduced except upon a petition; nor shall any bill or resolve embodying such legislation be reported by a committee, except upon a petition duly referred; nor shall such a bill or resolve be reported by a committee, whether on an original reference or on a recommittal with instructions to hear the parties, until it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the committee that proper notice of the proposed legislation has been given, by public advertisement or otherwise, to all parties interested, without expense to the Commonwealth, or until evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that all parties interested have in writing waived notice. A committee reporting leave to withdraw or reference to the next General Court for want of proper notice or of a waiver thereof, shall set forth this fact in its report, and no bill or resolve shall be in

order as a substitute for or amendment of such report. Objection to the violation of this rule may be taken at any stage prior to that of the third reading. (15.)

[Adopted Feb. 11, 1890; amended Jan. 13, 1893.]

32. A petition for the incorporation of a town or city, or for the division of an existing town or city, or for the incorporation of a railroad, street railway, elevated railroad or canal company, or for the amendment, alteration, or extension of the charter or corporate powers or privileges of any such company, either specially incorporated or organized under general laws, or for authority to take water for a water supply, or relative to building structures over navigable or tide waters, shall be referred to the next General Court, and not to a committee, unless the petitioner has given the notice required by chapter 24 of the Acts of the year 1885 as amended by chapter 302 of the Acts of the year 1890 or by other provisions of law; a petition for the incorporation of a college or university or other educational institution, with power to grant degrees, or for an amendment of the charter of an existing educational institution so that the said institution not having such power shall thereafter have power to grant degrees, shall also be referred to the next General Court, and not to a committee, unless the petitioner has given the notice required by chapter 381 of the Acts of the year 1896; but if, no objection being raised, any such petition is referred to a committee without such required notice, the committee shall forthwith report reference to the next General Court, setting forth as the reason for such report failure to give the required notice, unless evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that all parties interested have in writing waived notice. In case a bill or resolve is reported by a committee upon such a petition, after proof of such waiver of notice, this fact shall be set forth in the report of the committee. When a report of reference to the next General Court is made by a committee, on account of failure to give the required notice, no bill or resolve shall be substituted for such report, nor shall such report be recommitted or referred to another committee; but reference of the petition to the next General Court for want of proper notice under this rule shall not affect action upon any other measure involving the same subject-matter. (25.)

[Adopted Feb. 11, 1890; amended Feb. 2, 1891; Feb. 18, 1893.]

APPENDIX.

33. On or before the second Wednesday in March, committees shall make final report upon matters referred to them prior to that day.

[Amended Feb. 15, 1883; Feb. 2, 1891; Jan. 25, 1894.]

Committee of the Whole.

34. When the House determines to go into a committee of the whole, the chairman shall be appointed by the Speaker.

35. The rule of the House shall be observed in a committee of the whole, so far as they may be applicable, except the rules limiting debate. A motion to rise, report progress, and ask leave to sit again, shall be always first in order and be decided without debate.

REGULAR COURSE OF PROCEEDINGS.

Petitions, etc., and Reports of Committees.

36. Petitions, memorials, remonstrances and papers of a like nature, and reports of committees, shall be presented before the House proceeds to the consideration of the Orders of the Day, and the Speaker shall call for such papers.

37. The member presenting a petition, memorial, or remonstrance, shall indorse his name thereon, with a brief statement of the nature and object of the paper; and the reading thereof shall be dispensed with, unless specially ordered. (18.)

Papers from the Senate.

38. Papers from the Senate shall be laid before the House by the Speaker, and received for action conformably to such of these rules as are applicable thereto, before the House proceeds to the consideration of the Orders of the Day.

Papers addressed to the House, not Petitions.

39. Papers addressed to the House, or the General Court, other than petitions, memorials and remonstrances, or those received from the Senate, may be presented by the Speaker, or by a member in his place, and shall be read, unless it is specially ordered that the reading be dispensed with.

Motions contemplating Legislation, &c.

40. All motions contemplating legislation shall be founded upon petition or upon bill or resolve proposed to be introduced on leave.

The committee on Ways and Means may originate and report appropriation bills based upon existing law. Messages from the Governor shall, unless otherwise ordered, be referred to the appropriate committee, which may report by bill or otherwise thereon. A similar disposition shall, unless otherwise ordered, be made of reports by State officers and recess committees authorized to report to the Legislature, and similar action may be had thereon. (19.)

[Amended Jan. 13, 1893; Jan. 2, 1896.]

Postponement to the Next Day on Request of a Member.

41. The consideration of an order proposed for adoption, except as provided in joint rule twenty-eight or House rule one hundred and four, or of any request for leave to introduce a bill, or any motion to suspend joint rules eight or thirteen, or House rules thirty-one, forty-five or forty-six, shall be postponed without question to the day after that on which the order is proposed or request or motion made, if any member asks such postponement. (24.)

[Amended June 13, 1890; Jan. 13, 1893; March 14, 1899.]

Bills and Resolves. [See Rule 95.]

42. Bills shall be printed or written in a legible hand, without material erasure or interlineation, on not less than one sheet of paper, with suitable margins and spaces between the several sections, dates and numbers being written in words at length. Bills amending existing laws shall not provide for striking words from, or inserting words in, such laws, unless such course is best calculated to show clearly the subject and nature of the amendment. No repealed law, and no part of any repealed law, shall be re-enacted by reference merely. (17.)

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880; Feb. 2, 1891.]

43. If a committee to whom a bill is referred report that the same ought not to pass, the question shall be, "Shall this bill be rejected?" If the question on rejection is negatived, the bill, if it has been read but once, shall go to a second reading

without question ; otherwise it shall be placed in the orders for the next day, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, or engrossment, as the case may be. (30.)

[Amended Jan. 10, 1883.]

44. Bills involving an expenditure of public money, or grant of public property, unless the subject-matter has been acted upon by the joint committee on Ways and Means, shall, after their first reading, be referred to the committee on Ways and Means, for report on their relation to the finances of the Commonwealth. New provisions shall not be added to such bills by the committee on Ways and Means, unless directly connected with the financial features thereof. Bills involving an expenditure of county money shall, after their first reading, be referred to the committee on Counties on the part of the House, for report on their relation to the finances of the county affected, unless the subject-matter thereof has been previously acted upon by the joint committee on Counties ; and no new provisions shall be added to such bills by the committee on Counties on the part of the House unless directly connected with the financial features thereof. (27.)

[Amended Jan. 24, 1887 ; Feb. 11, 1890 ; Jan. 25, 1895 ; Jan. 29, 1895 ; Jan. 2, 1896 ; Jan. 27, 1896 ; Jan. 10, 1898.]

45. Bills from the Senate, after their first reading, shall be referred to a committee of the House, unless they were reported to the Senate by a joint committee. (26.)

46. Amendments proposed by the Senate and sent back to the House for concurrence shall be referred to the committee which reported the measure proposed to be amended, unless such committee is composed of members of both branches ; in which case such amendments shall be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next day. (36.)

[Amended April 9, 1878.]

47. No bill shall be proposed or introduced unless received from the Senate, reported by a committee, or moved as an amendment to the report of a committee : *provided*, that the House may grant special leave to a member to introduce a bill ; but, when leave is asked for the introduction of a bill, it shall be read for information before the question is put on granting leave ; and, if leave is granted, it shall be committed before it is ordered to a second reading. (23.)

48. Bills, resolves and other papers that have been, or, under the rules or usage of the House, are to be printed, shall

be read by their titles only, unless the full reading is requested. (29.)

[Adopted Jan. 10, 1893.]

49. When a bill, order, petition, memorial or remonstrance has been finally rejected by the House, no measure substantially the same shall be introduced by any committee or member during the same session. (54.)

[Amended April 26, 1877; Feb. 11, 1890.]

50. Bills in their third reading shall be referred to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading for examination, correction and report. Resolutions received from and adopted by the Senate or reported in the House, shall, after they are read and before they are adopted, be referred in like manner to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading. When a bill or resolution has been so referred, such bill or resolution shall not be acted upon until report thereon has been made by the committee. (33.)

[Amended Jan. 10, 1898.]

[See Rule 26.]

51. No bill shall pass to be engrossed without having been read on three several days. (28.)

52. Engrossed bills shall be referred to the committee on Engrossed Bills for examination, comparison and report. (34.)

[See Rule 27.]

53. No engrossed bill shall be amended except by striking out the enacting clause. (34.) (49.)

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

54. Engrossed bills, reported by the committee on Engrossed Bills to be rightly and truly engrossed, shall be put upon their passage to be enacted; and engrossed resolves, when so reported, shall be put upon their passage without further reading, unless specially ordered. (34.)

55. No engrossed bill shall be sent to the Senate without notice thereof being given by the Speaker.

Orders of the Day.

56. Bills from the Senate, after their first reading, when not referred to a committee of the House, bills favorably reported to the House by committees, and bills the question of the rejection of which is negatived, shall be placed in the orders for the next day, and, if they have been read but once, shall go to a second reading without question. Resolutions received from and

adopted by the Senate, or reported in the House by committees, shall, after they are read, be placed in the orders of the day for the next day. (26.)

[Amended Jan. 10, 1883; Feb. 5, 1886; Jan. 10, 1898.]

57. Reports of committees not by bill or resolve shall be placed in the orders of the next day after that on which they are received from the Senate, or made to the House, as the case may be: *provided*, that the report of a committee asking to be discharged from the further consideration of a subject, and recommending that it be referred to another committee, shall be immediately considered and shall not be subject to the provisions of rule 15. (36.)

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880; Feb. 2, 1891.]

58. Bills ordered to a third reading shall be placed in the orders of the next day for such reading. (32.) (33.)

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891; Jan. 10, 1898.]

59. After entering upon the consideration of the Orders of the Day, the House shall proceed with them in regular course as follows: Matters not giving rise to a motion or debate shall first be disposed of in the order in which they stand in the calendar; after which the matters that were passed over shall be considered in like order and disposed of. (37.)

60. When the House does not finish the consideration of the Orders of the Day, those which had not been acted upon shall be the orders of the next and each succeeding day until disposed of, and shall be entered in the calendar, without change in their order, to precede matters added under rules fifty-six, fifty-seven and fifty-eight. The unfinished business in which the House was engaged at the time of adjournment shall have the preference in the orders of the next day, after motions to reconsider. (35.)

[Amended Jan. 13, 1893.]

Special Rules affecting the Course of Proceedings.

[For postponement of Order, etc., to the next day, on request of a member, see Rule 41.]

61. No matter which has been duly placed in the Orders of the Day shall be discharged therefrom, or considered out of the regular course. This rule shall not be rescinded or revoked or suspended except by a vote of four-fifths of the members present and voting thereon. (38.)

[Amended Jan. 10, 1895.]

62. If, under the operation of the previous question, or otherwise, an amendment is made at the second or third reading of a bill substantially changing the greater part of such bill, the question shall not be put forthwith on ordering the bill to a third reading or to be engrossed (as the case may be), but the bill, as amended, shall be placed in the orders of the next day after that on which the amendment is made, and shall then be open to further amendment before such question is put. In like manner, when, under the operation of the previous question or otherwise, an amendment is made in any proposition of such a nature as to change its character, as from a bill to an order, or the like, the proposition as amended shall be placed in the orders of the next day after that on which the amendment was made. (31.)

VOTING.

63. No member shall vote upon any question where his private right is immediately concerned, distinct from the public interest. (10.)

64. Members desiring to be excused from voting shall make application to that effect before the division of the House or the taking of the yeas and nays is begun. Such application may be accompanied by a brief statement of reasons by the member making it, but shall be decided without debate, and shall not be subject to the provisions of rule sixty-eight. (57.)

[Amended Jan. 8, 1877; Feb. 5, 1886; Jan. 13, 1893.]

65. When a question is put, the sense of the House shall be taken by the voices of the members, and the Speaker shall first announce the vote as it appears to him by the sound. (55.)

66. If the Speaker is unable to decide by the sound of the voices, or if his announcement made thereupon is doubted by a member rising in his place for that purpose, the Speaker shall order a return by divisions of the number voting in the affirmative and in the negative, without further debate upon the question. (55.)

[For duty of monitors in case of a division, see Rule 9.]

67. When a return by divisions is ordered, the members for or against the question, when called on by the Speaker, shall rise in their places, and stand until they are counted. If upon the taking of such a vote the presence of a quorum is doubted, a count of the House shall be had, and if a quorum is present the vote shall stand.

[Amended Feb. 11, 1889.]

68. The sense of the House shall be taken by yeas and nays

whenever required by thirty of the members present. When the yeas and nays are taken, the roll of the House shall be called in alphabetical order, and no member shall be allowed to vote who was not on the floor before the vote is declared. If, before the question is taken, a member states to the House that he has paired with another member, and how each would vote upon the pending question, the fact shall be entered on the journal immediately after the record of the yeas and nays, and such member shall be excused from voting, but shall be included with the members voting for the purposes of a quorum. (56.) (57.)

[Amended Jan. 4, 1878; April 2, 1878; April 1, 1879; Feb. 2, 1891; Jan. 10, 1895.]

69. The call for the yeas and nays shall be decided without debate. If the yeas and nays have been ordered before the question is put, the proceedings under rules sixty-five, sixty-six and sixty-seven shall be omitted; if not, they may be called for in lieu of a return by divisions when the Speaker's announcement is doubted by a member rising in his place, and, if then ordered, the proceedings under rules sixty-six and sixty-seven shall be omitted. (52.)

[Amended Jan. 13, 1893.]

Reconsideration.

70. When a vote has passed (except as provided in the next rule), it shall only be in order for any member to move the reconsideration thereof on the same or the succeeding day, and such motion, if made on the same day, shall (except in the last week of the session) be placed first in the orders of the next day after that on which it is made; but if first moved on such succeeding day, it shall be moved before the Orders of the Day are taken up and shall be forthwith considered: *provided, however*, that a motion to reconsider a vote upon any incidental or subsidiary question shall not remove the main subject under consideration from before the House, but shall be considered at the time when it is made. (53.)

[Amended June 13, 1890; Feb. 2, 1891.]

71. When a motion for reconsideration is decided, that decision shall not be reconsidered, and no question shall be twice reconsidered; nor shall any vote be reconsidered upon either of the following motions:—

to adjourn,
to lay on the table,
to take from the table; or,
for the previous question. (53.)

72. Debate on motions to reconsider shall be limited to thirty minutes, and no member shall occupy more than five minutes; but upon motion to reconsider a vote upon any subsidiary or incidental question, debate shall be limited to ten minutes, and no member shall occupy more than three minutes.

[Amended Feb. 5, 1886; June 30, 1890.]

[For rule requiring the Clerk to retain papers, except, etc., until the right of reconsideration has expired, see Rule 15.]

RULES OF DEBATE.

73. Every member, when about to speak, shall rise and respectfully address the Speaker; shall confine himself to the question under debate, and avoid personalities; and shall sit down when he has finished. No member shall speak out of his place without leave of the Speaker. (39.)

74. When two or more members rise at the same time the Speaker shall name the member entitled to the floor, preferring one who rises in his place to one who does not. (40.)

75. No member shall interrupt another while speaking, except by rising to call to order. (42.)

76. No member shall speak more than once to the prevention of those who have not spoken and desire to speak on the same question. (41.)

Motions.

77. Every motion shall be reduced to writing, if the Speaker so directs. (44.)

78. A motion need not be seconded, and may be withdrawn by the mover if no objection is made. (44.)

Limit of Debate.

79. A motion to adjourn shall be always first in order, and shall be decided without debate; and on the motions to lay on the table, to take from the table, for the previous question, to close debate at a specified time, to postpone to a time certain, to commit or recommit, not exceeding ten minutes shall be allowed for debate, and no member shall speak more than three minutes. (52.)

[Amended Feb. 19, 1878; Jan. 26, 1880; Feb. 2, 1891; March 14, 1899.]

[For application to be excused from voting, to be decided without debate, see Rule 64.]

[For calls for yeas and nays, to be decided without debate, see Rule 69.]

[For questions of order, arising after the previous question is moved, to be decided without debate, except on appeal, see Rule 83.]

80. When a question is before the House, until it is disposed of, the Speaker shall receive no motion that does not relate to the same, except the motion to adjourn, or some other motion that has precedence either by express rule of the House, or because it is privileged in its nature; and he shall receive no motion relating to the same, except, —

to lay on the table,

See Rule 79.

for the previous question,

See Rules 79, 81-86.

to close the debate at a specified time,

See Rules 79, 85, 86.

to postpone to a time certain,

See Rules 79 and 87.

to commit (or recommit),

See Rules 79 and 88.

to amend,

See Rules 89-92.

to refer to the next General Court,

which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are arranged in this rule. (46.)

[Amended Jan. 14, 1892.]

Previous Question.

81. The previous question shall be put in the following form: “*Shall the main question be now put?*” — and all debate upon the main question shall be suspended until the previous question is decided.

82. On the previous question debate shall be allowed only to give reasons why the main question should not be put.

[Amended March 14, 1899.]

83. All questions of order arising after a motion is made for the previous question shall be decided without debate, excepting on appeal; and on such appeal, no member shall speak more than once without leave of the House.

[See Rule 94.]

84. The adoption of the previous question shall put an end to all debate except as provided in rule eighty-six, and bring the House to a direct vote upon pending amendments, if any, in their regular order, and then upon the main question.

[Amended Jan. 14, 1892; Jan. 13, 1893.]

Motion to Close Debate at a Specified Time.

85. Debate may be closed at any time not less than thirty minutes from the adoption of a motion to that effect. In case the time is extended by unanimous consent, the same rule shall apply at the end of the extended time as at the time originally fixed. (47.)

[Amended Jan. 8, 1877; Jan. 15, 1880; March 14, 1899.]

[See the next rule.]

When Debate is closed, Ten Minutes allowed, etc.

86. When debate is closed by ordering the previous question, or by a vote to close debate at a specified time, the member in charge of the measure under consideration shall be allowed to speak ten minutes, and may grant to any other member any portion of his time. When the measure under consideration has been referred to the committee on Ways and Means, under House rule forty-four, the member originally reporting it shall be considered in charge, except where the report of the committee on Ways and Means is substantially different from that referred to them, in which case the member originally reporting the measure, and the member of the committee on Ways and Means reporting thereon, shall each be allowed to speak five minutes, the latter to have the close. When the member entitled to speak under this rule is absent, the member standing first in order upon the committee reporting the measure, who is present and joined in the report, shall have the right to occupy such time.

[Amended March 28, 1877; Feb. 11, 1890; Jan. 13, 1893; Jan. 2, 1896.]

Motion to Postpone to a Time Certain.

87. When a motion is made to postpone to a time certain, and different times are proposed, the question shall first be taken on the most remote time; and the time shall be determined before the question is put on postponement, which may then be rejected if the House see fit. (51.)

Motion to Commit.

88. When a motion is made to commit, and different committees are proposed, the question shall be taken in the following order: —

- a standing committee of the House,
- a select committee of the House,
- a joint standing committee,
- a joint select committee;

and a subject may be recommitted to the same committee or to another committee at the pleasure of the House. (48.)

Motions to Amend.

89. A motion to amend an amendment may be received ; but no amendment in the third degree shall be allowed.

90. No motion or proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of amendment. (50.)

91. A question containing two or more propositions capable of division shall be divided whenever desired by any member. When a motion to strike out and insert is thus divided, the failure of the motion to strike out shall not preclude amendment ; or, if the motion to strike out prevails, the matter proposed to be inserted shall be open to amendment before the question is taken on inserting it. (45.)

92. In filling blanks, the largest sum and longest time shall be put first. (51.)

Enacting Clause.

93. A motion to strike out the enacting clause of a bill shall only be received when the bill is before the house for enactment.
[Amended June 13, 1890.]

APPEAL.

94. No appeal from the decision of the Speaker shall be entertained unless it is seconded ; and no other business shall be in order until the question on the appeal has been disposed of.
[See Rule 83.]

RESOLVES.

95. Such of these rules as are applicable to bills, whether of the House or of the Senate, shall apply likewise to such resolves as require the concurrence of the Senate and approval by the Governor, in order to become laws and have force as such ; except in rule fifty-four the word " bill " shall be equivalent to the word " resolve " in the same place.

[Amended Jan. 13, 1893.]

ELECTIONS BY BALLOT.

96. A time shall be assigned for elections by ballot, at least one day previous thereto, except in the cases provided for in rule eight. (58.)

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

SECRET SESSION.

97. All proceedings in secret session, and matters relating thereto, shall be kept secret until the House removes the injunction of secrecy.

SEATS.

98. (1.) The desk on the right of the Speaker shall be assigned to the use of the Clerk and such persons as he may employ to assist him, and that on the left to the use of the Chairmen of the committees on Bills in the Third Reading and on Engrossed Bills.

(2.) The senior member of the House, and the oldest member of the House who is not the senior member, shall be allowed to select their seats from those not otherwise assigned, before the drawing of seats by the members.

[Amended Jan. 7, 1878.]

(3.) The seat numbered 30, in the first division, shall be assigned to the use of the Chairman of the committee on the Judiciary; and that numbered 13, in the fourth division, to the use of the Chairman of the committee on Ways and Means.

[Amended Jan. 7, 1878; Jan. 6, 1882; Jan. 7, 1895; Jan. 2, 1896; Jan. 11, 1897; Jan. 10, 1898.]

(4.) The following seats shall be assigned to the use of the monitors : —

Those numbered 86 and 78, in the first division ;
77 and 72, in the second division ;
71 and 66, in the third division ;
65 and 57, in the fourth division.

[Amended Jan. 6, 1882; Jan. 7, 1895.]

(5.) The first business in order, after the appointment of standing committees and monitors is announced by the Speaker, shall be the drawing of the other seats upon the floor of the House.

(6.) The Clerk shall call the roll of the members in alphabetical order, omitting the names of the Speaker, the senior member, the oldest member, the chairmen of committees hereinbefore mentioned, and the monitors; and the drawing shall be had in presence of the House, under the supervision of a committee of three selected from the members mentioned in this paragraph.

(7.) The seat assigned to any member, or drawn by him,

shall be his seat for the year, unless an exchange is made and notice thereof given to the Sergeant-at-Arms within five days from the day of the drawing.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR.

99. The following persons shall be entitled to admission to the floor of the House, during the session thereof, to occupy seats not numbered : —

(1.) The Governor and Lieutenant-Governor, members of the Executive Council, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor, Attorney-General, Librarian and Assistant Librarian.

(2.) The members of the Senate.

(3.) Persons in the exercise of an official duty directly connected with the business of the House.

(4.) The legislative reporters assigned to seats in the reporters' gallery. (58.)

(5.) Contestants for seats in the House, whose papers are in the hands of the committee on Elections, may be admitted, while their cases are pending, to seats to be assigned by the Speaker.

No other person shall be admitted to the floor during the session except upon the permission of the Speaker. (60.) (61.)

[Adopted Jan. 10, 1890; amended Jan. 25, 1894; March 14, 1899.]

REPRESENTATIVES' CHAMBER AND ADJOINING ROOMS.

100. Use of the Representatives' Chamber shall not be granted except by a vote of four-fifths of the members present and voting thereon.

No person shall be admitted to the members' corridor and adjoining rooms, except persons entitled to the privilege of the floor of the House, unless invited by a member of the House.

No smoking shall be allowed in the writing room of the House or in the ladies' parlor.

No person shall be admitted to the north gallery of the House except upon a card of a member; and no person shall be so admitted except ladies, or gentlemen accompanied by ladies.

[Amended Feb. 2, 1891; Feb. 5, 1895.]

PARLIAMENTARY PRACTICE.

101. The rules of parliamentary practice shall govern the House in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with these rules or the joint rules of the two branches. (62.)

DEBATE ON MOTIONS FOR THE SUSPENSION OF RULES.

102. Debate upon a motion for the suspension of any of the joint rules or House rules shall be limited to fifteen minutes, and no member shall occupy more than three minutes.

[Amended Feb. 11, 1889; June 13, 1890; Feb. 2, 1891.]

SUSPENSION, AMENDMENT AND APPEAL.

103. Nothing in these rules shall be dispensed with, altered or repealed, unless two-thirds of the members present consent thereto; but this rule, and rules forty-one, forty-nine, fifty, sixty-two, seventy, ninety-nine and one hundred, shall not be suspended, unless by unanimous consent of the members present. (63.)

[Amended Jan. 10, 1890; June 13, 1890; Feb. 2, 1891; Jan. 13, 1893.]

104. All motions to suspend the ninth or twelfth joint rule, or House rule thirty-two, all questions on concurring with the Senate in the suspension of either of said joint rules, and all motions or orders authorizing a committee to travel outside the limits of the Commonwealth, shall be referred without debate to the committee on Rules, who shall report thereon within four legislative days after such reference.

[Adopted Jan. 10, 1898; amended March 14, 1899.]

QUORUM.

105. One hundred and twenty-one members shall constitute a quorum for the organization of the House and the transaction of business.

[Adopted Feb. 8, 1892.]

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- A committee on Drainage ;
- A committee on Education ;
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- A committee on Public Health ;
- A committee on Public Service ;
- A committee on Roads and Bridges ;
- A committee on State House ;
- A committee on Towns ;
- A committee on Water Supply ;

Each to consist of three members on the part of the Senate, and eight on the part of the House ;

- A committee on Cities ;
- A committee on Manufactures ;
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- A committee on Metropolitan Affairs ;
- A committee on Railroads ;
- A committee on Street Railways ;
- A committee on Taxation ;

Each to consist of four members on the part of the Senate, and eleven on the part of the House.

Matters referred by either the Senate or the House to its committee on the Judiciary, on Ways and Means, or on Rules, shall be considered by the respective committees of the two branches, acting as joint committees, when, in the judgment of the chairmen of the respective committees of the two branches, the interest of legislation or the expedition of business will be better served by such joint consideration. Matters may also be referred respectively to the committees on the Judiciary, on Ways and Means, and on Rules, of the two branches, as joint committees.

The committees on Rules, together with the presiding officers of the two branches, acting as a joint committee, may consider and suggest such measures as shall, in their judgment, tend to facilitate the business of the session. [Amended Jan. 6, 1882; Jan. 5, 1883; Jan. 7, 1884; Jan. 8, 1885; Jan. 26, 1885; Jan. 8, 1886; Jan. 12, 1887; Jan. 9, 1888; Jan. 28, 1889; Jan. 8, 1890; Feb. 2, 1891; Jan. 11, 1892; Feb. 10, 1892; Feb. 7, 1893; Jan. 8, 1894; Jan. 7, 1895; Jan. 7, 1896; Jan. 11, 1897; Jan. 10, 1898; and Jan. 9, 1899.]

2. No member of either branch shall act as counsel for any party before any committee of the Legislature.

3. No joint committee shall be given authority to travel outside of the limits of the Commonwealth except by a concurrent vote of two-thirds of the members of each branch present and voting thereon, and no committee shall so travel except at the expense of the Commonwealth. In any case when a committee is authorized to travel, the Sergeant-at-Arms shall provide transportation only for members of the committee and the officers accompanying them, and the reasonable travelling expenses of such members and officers only shall be charged to or paid by the Commonwealth. Neither the Sergeant-at-Arms nor the officer detailed by him shall permit any person to accompany such committee while in the discharge of its official duties, unless invited by vote of the committee.

All bills for the travelling expenses of committees shall, in such form and detail as may be prescribed by the Auditor of the Commonwealth, be submitted by the Sergeant-at-Arms to the committee by whom they have been incurred; and such bills, before they are presented to the Auditor of the Commonwealth, shall first be approved by a majority of the committee incurring them. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall procure from the

Auditor and shall, on the first Monday in each month, transmit to the General Court in print a statement of all such bills which have been presented to the Auditor during the preceding month. [Adopted Feb. 7, 1890. Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

4. Joint committees may report by bill, resolve or otherwise, to either branch, at their discretion, having reference to an equal distribution of business between the two branches, except that money bills shall be reported to the House; and except that when a report is made from any committee to either branch, and the subject-matter thereof is subsequently referred therein to a joint committee, such committee shall report its action to the branch in which the original report was made. [See also next rule.]

5. Reports of joint committees may be recommitted to the same committees at the pleasure of the branch first acting thereon, and bills or resolves may be recommitted to either branch, but no such recommitment shall be made after the fourth Wednesday in March. A concurrent vote shall, however, be necessary for the recommitment of such reports, bills, or resolves, with instructions. After recommitment, report shall, in all cases, be made to the branch originating the recommitment. [Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

6. Bills and resolves reported by joint committees shall be printed or fairly written in a legible hand, without material erasure or interlineation, and on not less than one sheet of paper, with suitable margins, and with spaces between the several sections. Dates and numbers shall be printed or written in words at length. [Amended Jan. 28, 1889.]

7. Whenever, upon any application for an act of incorporation or other legislation, the purpose for which such legislation is sought can be secured without detriment to the public interests by a general law or under existing laws, the committee to which the matter is referred shall report such general law, or "leave to withdraw," or "ought not to pass." [Amended Feb. 2, 1891, and Feb. 7, 1893.]

Notice to Parties Interested.

8. No legislation affecting the rights of individuals or the rights of a private or municipal corporation, otherwise than as it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth or the people of the city or town to which it specifically applies,

shall be proposed or introduced except by a petition, nor shall any bill or resolve embodying such legislation be reported by a committee except upon a petition duly referred, nor shall such a bill or resolve be reported by a committee, whether on an original reference or on a recommittal with instructions to hear the parties, until it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the committee that proper notice of the proposed legislation has been given by public advertisement or otherwise to all parties interested, without expense to the Commonwealth, or until evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that all parties interested have in writing waived notice. A committee reporting leave to withdraw or reference to the next General Court for want of proper notice or of a waiver thereof shall set forth this fact in its report, and no bill or resolve shall be in order as a substitute for, or amendment of, such report. Objection to the violation of this rule may be taken at any stage prior to that of the third reading. [Adopted Feb. 7, 1890.]

9. A petition for the incorporation of a town or city, or for the division of an existing town or city, or for the incorporation of a railroad, street railway, elevated railroad or canal company, or for the amendment, alteration or extension of the charter or corporate powers or privileges of any such company, either specially incorporated or organized under general laws, or for authority to take water for a water supply, or relative to building structures over navigable or tide waters, shall be referred to the next General Court, and not to a committee, unless the petitioner has given the notice required by chapter 24 of the Acts of the year 1885, as amended by chapter 302 of the Acts of the year 1890, or by other provisions of law. A petition for the incorporation of a college or university or other educational institution, with power to grant degrees, or for an amendment of the charter of an existing educational institution so that the said institution, not having such power, shall thereafter have power to grant degrees, shall also be referred to the next General Court, and not to a committee, unless the petitioner has given the notice required by chapter 381 of the Acts of the year 1896. But if, no objection being raised, any such petition is referred to a committee without such required notice, the committee shall forthwith report reference to the next General Court, setting forth as the reason for such report failure to give the required notice, unless evidence satisfactory to the com-

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Limit of Time Allowed for Reports of Committees.

10. Joint committees shall make final report upon all matters previously referred to them, on or before the second Wednesday in March. All matters upon which no report has then been made shall, on or before the following Monday, be reported by the chairman of the committee on the part of the branch in which they were respectively introduced, with a recommendation of reference to the next General Court under this rule. [Amended Feb. 2, 1891, and Jan. 25, 1894.]

Committees of Conference.

11. Committees of conference shall consist of three members on the part of each branch, representing its vote; and their report, if agreed to by a majority of each committee, shall be made to the branch asking the conference, and may be either accepted or rejected, but no other action shall be had, except through a new committee of conference.

Limit of Time Allowed for New Business.

12. Resolutions, and petitions, memorials, bills and resolves introduced on leave and all other subjects of legislation, except reports required to be made to the Legislature, deposited with the Clerk of either branch subsequent to five o'clock in the afternoon on the last secular day in January, shall, when presented, be referred to the next General Court; but this rule shall not apply to petitions in aid of, and remonstrances against, legislation already introduced and pending, nor shall it apply to a petition offered in place of a former one having in view

the same object, upon which, before reference to a committee, leave to withdraw was given because the same was not in proper form, provided that such subsequent petition is deposited with the Clerk of either branch within one week from the day on which leave to withdraw was given. This rule shall not prevent the introduction of bills, resolves or resolutions, based upon the report of a committee upon an order of inquiry offered subsequent to five o'clock in the afternoon on the last secular day in January, provided such bills, resolves or resolutions are introduced within one week after the committee's report is submitted. This rule shall not be rescinded, amended or suspended, except by a concurrent vote of four-fifths of the members of each branch present and voting thereon: *provided, however*, that, except by unanimous consent, it shall not be suspended with reference to a petition for legislation when such petition is not accompanied by a bill or a resolve embodying the legislation requested. [Amended Feb. 7, 1890, Feb. 2, 1891, Feb. 7, 1893, Jan. 10, 1898, and Jan. 9, 1899.]

Requests for Legislation to be Deposited with the Clerks.

13. Petitions and memorials, accompanied by bills or resolves embodying the subject-matter prayed for, bills and resolves for introduction on leave and all other subjects of legislation, and all resolutions and orders of inquiry, intended for presentation to the General Court by any member, shall be deposited with the Clerk of the branch to which such member belongs, and shall be laid before such branch not later than at the session of the fourth legislative day succeeding the day on which the same have been so deposited. [Adopted Feb. 7, 1890. Amended Feb. 2, 1891, Feb. 7, 1893, and Jan. 25, 1894.]

14. The joint committee on Rules shall have authority to prescribe the manner and form of keeping the dockets of legislative counsel and agents which are required by law. [Adopted Feb. 2, 1891.]

Duties of the Clerks.

15. If any part of the report of a committee over the signature of the chairman or members of a committee is amended in either branch, the Clerk of that branch shall endorse upon the report such amendment.

16. All papers, while on their passage between the two branches, may be under the signature of the respective Clerks, except bills and resolves in their last stage. Messages may be sent by such persons as each branch may direct.

17. After bills have passed both branches to be engrossed, they shall be in the charge of the Clerks of the two branches, who shall deliver the same to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, to be engrossed in the manner prescribed by law; and when engrossed the said Clerks shall forthwith deliver the same to the committee of the House of Representatives on Engrossed Bills; and when the same have passed to be enacted in that House, they shall, in like manner, be delivered to the committee of the Senate on Engrossed Bills.

18. If any petition, memorial, bill, resolve or order, presented or originating in one branch, is adversely acted upon in the other, notice thereof shall be given, under the signature of the Clerk, to the branch in which the same originated.

19. The Clerk of the branch in which a bill originated shall make an endorsement thereon, certifying in which branch the same originated, which endorsement shall be entered on the journals by the Clerks respectively. [Amended Jan. 28, 1889.]

Printing and Distribution of Documents.

20. The committee on Printing may make regulations for the distribution of all documents printed or assigned for the use of the Legislature not otherwise disposed of, and such regulations shall be reported to and be subject to the order of the two branches.

Under the general order to print a report, bill or other document, the number printed shall be nine hundred.

Leave to report in print shall not be construed to authorize the printing of extended reports of evidence.

Bills, reports and other documents, printed under the general order of either branch, shall be distributed as follows, to wit:—two copies to each member of the Senate and House of Representatives (to be placed on his file under the direction of the Sergeant-at-Arms, if desired by the member); three copies to each Clerk in either branch, and three copies to each reporter in regular attendance, to whom a seat has been assigned in either branch; twenty copies to the Executive; twenty copies to the Secretary's office; six copies to the State Library; one

copy to each Public Library in the Commonwealth, which shall make due application therefor to the Sergeant-at-Arms, and shall make proper provision for the transmission and preservation thereof; and, when the document is the report of a committee, ten copies shall be assigned to the committee making the report. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall preserve as many as may be necessary for the permanent files to be placed in the lobbies, and distribute the remainder under such regulations as may be prescribed by said joint committee. [Amended Jan. 8, 1886, and Jan. 28, 1889.]

21. Bills, resolves and other papers requiring the approval of the Governor shall be laid before him for his approbation by the Clerk of the Senate, who shall enter upon the journal of the Senate the day on which the same were so laid before the Governor. [Amended Jan. 28, 1889.]

Constitutional Amendments.

22. All resolves proposing amendments to the Constitution shall have three several readings in each branch, and the question upon agreeing to an amendment to the Constitution shall be taken by yeas and nays. [Amended Jan. 28, 1889.]

Joint Conventions.

23. The President of the Senate shall preside in Conventions of the two branches, and such Conventions shall be holden in the Representatives' Chamber; the Clerk of the Senate shall be Clerk of the Convention, and a record of the proceedings of the Convention shall be entered at large on the journals of both branches.

24. When an agreement has been made by the two branches to go into Convention, such agreement shall not be altered or annulled, except by concurrent vote.

25. No business shall be entered on, in Convention, other than that which may be agreed on before the Convention is formed.

Joint Elections.

26. In all elections by joint ballot a time shall be assigned therefor at least one day previous to such election.

Elections of United States Senators.

27. The joint assembly required to be held by the statutes of the United States, relating to the elections for Senators in Congress, shall be deemed a Convention of the two branches, and the proceedings therein shall be in accordance with the provisions of said statutes. The President of the Convention shall receive no motion on any day until one vote for Senator has been taken. After one vote for Senator has been taken, no motion shall be in order except a motion to adjourn, for a recess, or to proceed to vote for Senator; and these motions shall have precedence in the order of their arrangement, and shall be decided without debate. If a motion is made for a recess, and different times are proposed, the question shall first be taken on the most remote time; and the time shall be determined, but without debate, before the question is put upon taking the recess. On either of the questions permitted by this rule, the sense of the Convention shall be taken by yeas and nays, whenever required by one-fifth of the members present. When the yeas and nays are taken, the roll of the Convention shall be called in alphabetical order; and no member shall be allowed to vote who was not on the floor when his name was called or before the roll-call was finished. The call for the yeas and nays shall be decided without debate.

28. All motions or orders authorizing committees to employ stenographers shall be referred without debate to the joint committee on Rules, who shall report thereon within four legislative days after such reference. [Adopted Jan. 10, 1898.]

29. Any joint rule except the twelfth may be altered, suspended, or rescinded by a concurrent vote of two-thirds of the members of each branch present and voting thereon. [Amended Feb. 7, 1893. Adopted in present form Jan. 9, 1899.]

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That a committee may report any bill which is within the scope of the original petition, whether or not it is within the scope of the bill accompanying the petition. [1036, 1061.]

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THE OATH OF OFFICE.

[See page 4.]

I, (repeating your name) , do solemnly swear that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and will support the Constitution thereof. *So help me, God.*

I, , do solemnly swear and affirm that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on me as a representative, according to the best of my abilities and understanding, agreeably to the rules and regulations of the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth. *So help me, God.*

I, , do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States. *So help me, God.*

AFFIRMATION.

I, (repeating your name) , do solemnly affirm that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and will support the Constitution thereof.. *This I do under the pains and penalties of perjury.*

I, , do solemnly affirm that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on me as a representative, according to the best of my abilities and understanding, agreeably to the rules and regulations of the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth. *This I do under the pains and penalties of perjury.*

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Annuities. (See "Bent, George O.;" "Garland, Frank L.;" "Gilman, Walter H.;" "Grant, Rhoda Rosella;" "Hillman, Samuel.")

APPROPRIATION BILLS:

Order adopted authorizing the committee on Ways and Means to report from time to time such, as the exigencies of the public service may require, 28; bills reported:

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation, 35, 42, 49; enacted, 102.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, 34, 42, 49; enacted, 125.

Making an appropriation for the payment of certain expenses in connection with the protection of the purity of inland waters, 35, 43, 49; enacted, 102.

Making appropriations for the compensation and travel of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of the officers thereof and for expenses in connection therewith, 34, 43, 56; enacted, 68.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the State Board of Health, 34, 43, 49; enacted, 102.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth, 34, 43, 49; enacted, 102.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the executive department of the Commonwealth, 34, 43, 49; enacted, 101.

Making appropriations for the salary and expenses of the State Pension Agent, 34, 43, 49; enacted, 102.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the Insurance Commissioner, 35, 43, 49; enacted, 125.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the Controller of County Accounts, 35, 43, 49; enacted, 102.

Making an appropriation for the erection of new buildings at the Worcester Insane Hospital, 35, 43, 49; enacted, 101.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the Commissioners of Prisons and for sundry reformatory expenses, 35, 43, 49; enacted, 102.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the Bureau of Statistics of Labor, 35, 43, 49; enacted, 125.

Making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, the purchase of paper and publishing laws, 41, 47, 55; enacted, 477.

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Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, 41, 48, 55 ; enacted, 108.

Making an appropriation for the removal of wrecks from tide-waters, 41, 48, 55 ; enacted, 115.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Tax Commissioner, 41, 48, 55 ; enacted, 108.

Making an appropriation for the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind, 41, 48, 55 ; enacted, 115.

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Commissioners of Savings Banks, 41, 48, 55 ; enacted, 115.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the judicial department of the Commonwealth, 41, 48, 55 ; enacted, 115.

Making an appropriation for the Worcester Polytechnic Institute, 41, 48, 55 ; enacted, 115.

Making appropriations for the salary and expenses of the Commissioner of Public Records, 41, 48, 55 ; enacted, 108.

Making appropriations for the expenses of the Massachusetts Nautical Training School, 41, 48, 55 ; enacted, 107.

Making an appropriation for certain improvements at the State Almshouse, 42, 48, 55 ; enacted, 125.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the State Library, 42, 48, 55 ; enacted, 115.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, 42, 48, 55 ; enacted, 115.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Attorney-General of the Commonwealth, 42, 48, 55 ; enacted, 108.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the Civil Service Commission, 42, 48, 55 ; enacted, 232.

Making an appropriation for current expenses at the Medfield Insane Asylum, 42, 48, 56 ; enacted, 115.

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the Railroad Commissioners, 42, 48, 56 ; enacted, 108.

Making appropriations for sundry miscellaneous expenses authorized by law, 42, 48, 56 ; enacted, 116.

Making appropriations for the salary and expenses of the General Superintendent of Prisons, 46, 54, 62 ; enacted, 115.

Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 46, 54, 62 ; enacted, 115.

Making an appropriation for the payment of premiums on securities purchased for the Massachusetts School Fund, 47, 54, 62 ; enacted, 115.

Making appropriations for the compensation and expenses of the Ballot Law Commission, 47, 54, 62 ; enacted, 115.

Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded, 47, 54, 62 ; enacted, 115.

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- Making appropriations for the payment of annuities to soldiers and others, 47, 54, 62; enacted, 115.
- Making an appropriation for the salary of the Assayer and Inspector of Liquors, 47, 54, 63; enacted, 115.
- Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, 47, 54, 63; enacted, 115.
- Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts School Fund, 47, 54, 63; enacted, 115.
- Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Reformatory Prison for Women, 47, 55, 63; enacted, 115.
- Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the inspectors of gas meters, 47, 55, 63; enacted, 115.
- Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the Harbor and Land Commissioners, 54, 62, 69, 299, 323; enacted, 401.
- Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the District Police, 54, 62, 69; enacted, 125.
- Making an appropriation for current expenses at the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics, 61, 69, 78; enacted, 139.
- Making an appropriation for the compensation of inspectors of animals and provisions, 61, 69, 78; enacted, 156.
- Making an appropriation for the state highway loan sinking fund, 61, 69, 78; enacted, 139.
- Making an appropriation for the metropolitan parks loan sinking fund, 61, 69, 78; enacted, 139.
- Making an appropriation for the abolition of grade crossings loan sinking fund, 66, 77, 84; enacted, 156.
- Making appropriations for salaries of employees and other necessary expenses in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms, 66, 78, 85, 107, 127, 140; enacted, 240.
- Making an appropriation for the Medfield Insane Asylum loan sinking fund, 66, 77, 84; enacted, 139.
- Making an appropriation for the prison and hospital loan sinking fund, 67, 77, 84; enacted, 139.
- Making an appropriation for the harbor improvement loan sinking fund, 67, 77, 84; enacted, 139.
- Making an appropriation for the State House loans sinking fund, 67, 77, 85; enacted, 139.
- Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Massachusetts Reformatory, 67, 77, 85; enacted, 156.
- Making appropriations for sundry agricultural expenses, 67, 77, 85; enacted, 139.
- Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm, 67, 77, 85; enacted, 156.
- Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse, 67, 77, 85; enacted, 156.

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- Making an appropriation for operating the Neponset River valley system of sewage disposal, 67, 77, 85 ; enacted, 286.
- Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys, 67, 77, 85 ; enacted, 156.
- Making an appropriation for operating the Charles River valley system of sewerage, 67, 77, 85 ; enacted, 286.
- Making appropriations for the payment of state and military aid and expenses in connection therewith, 67, 77, 85 ; enacted, 139.
- Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls, 68, 78, 85 ; enacted, 286.
- Making an appropriation for operating the north metropolitan system of sewerage, 68, 78, 85 ; enacted, 355.
- Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the department of the Adjutant-General and for sundry other military expenses, 68, 78, 85, 90 ; enacted, 225.
- Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Massachusetts State Prison, 68, 78, 85 ; enacted, 156..
- Making an appropriation for the Massachusetts war loan sinking fund, 96, 102, 108 ; enacted, 225.
- Making appropriations for the expenses of the Board of Free Public Library Commissioners, 96, 102, 108 ; enacted, 225.
- Making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses, 114, 126, 140 ; enacted, 333.
- Making appropriations for expenses of the court of registration, 114, 126, 140 ; enacted, 239.
- Making an appropriation for the payment of the tuition of children attending school outside the town in which they reside, 125, 140, 157 ; enacted, 249.
- Making an appropriation for expenses in connection with the topographical survey and map of Massachusetts, 125, 140, 157 ; enacted, 266.
- Making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the State Board of Insanity, 125, 140, 157, 317 ; enacted, 344.
- Making appropriations for salaries and expenses in the office of the State Fire Marshal, 125, 140, 157 ; enacted, 285.
- Making an appropriation for the expense of enforcing the law to regulate the practice of pharmacy, 138, 156, 177 ; enacted, 266.
- Making appropriations for sundry educational expenses, 135, 156, 177, 395, 409, 424 ; enacted, 463.
- Making appropriations for the compensation and expenses of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game, 238, 250, 259 ; enacted, 321.
- Making appropriations for the Massachusetts Highway Commission, 256, 267, 268, 279, 288, 696 ; new draft (S.) substituted, 849, 885, 900, 934 ; enacted, 948.

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- Making an appropriation for the consolidation and arrangement of the Public Statutes, 412, 442, 455 ; enacted, 875.**
- Making appropriations for the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, the New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes and for certain other expenses authorized by law, 475, 493, 504 ; enacted, 636.**
- Making an appropriation for current expenses at the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates, 475, 533, 563 ; enacted, 663.**
- Making appropriations for the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary, for repairs and improvements at certain institutions and for certain other expenses authorized by law, 746, 755, 771 ; enacted, 852.**
- Making an appropriation for the employment of prisoners in making goods for the use of public institutions, 884, 900, 963 ; enacted, 1010.**
- Making an appropriation for expenses in connection with the industries at the State Farm, 884, 900, 920 ; enacted, 1010.**
- Making an appropriation for expenses in connection with the extermination of contagious diseases among horses, cattle and other animals, 930, 975, 991 ; enacted, 1044.**
- Making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year and for certain other expenses authorized by law, 937, 949, 964 ; enacted, 1010.**
- Making an appropriation for the improvement of Green Harbor in the town of Marshfield, 981, 995, 1013 ; enacted, 1077.**
- In addition to an act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year and for certain other expenses authorized by law, 1113 ; enacted, 1113.**
- Bill (reported on a bill introduced on leave, see "Gypsy Moth") making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth, 101, 107, 116 (yea and nay), 126, 157 (yea and nay), 244 ; enacted, 258.**
- Bill (reported on a special report of the Auditor of Accounts) making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1898, 114, 126, 140 ; enacted, 198.**
- Bill (reported on a special report of the Auditor of Accounts) in addition to an act making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1898, 138, 156, 177 ; enacted, 286.**
- Bill (reported on the annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients) making appropriations for the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients, 139, 155, 177, 199 ; enacted, 266.**
- Bill (reported on a bill introduced on leave, see "Province Lands") making an appropriation for the reclamation of the Province Lands for the benefit of Provincetown harbor, 231, 257, 268, 273 ; enacted, 414.**

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Bill (reported on bills introduced on leave, see "Gypsy Moth") making an appropriation for continuing the work of exterminating the gypsy moth and the brown-tail moth, 272, 422, 440, 495, 505, 576, 588; enacted, 736.

Bill (reported on a communication from the Auditor of Accounts transmitting a supplementary report of expenditures in excess of appropriations incurred by the trustees of the Lyman and Industrial Schools) in addition to an act making an appropriation for deficiencies in appropriations authorized in the year 1898, 695, 705, 718; enacted, 806.

Bill (reported on a communication from the Auditor of Accounts transmitting a supplementary report of expenditures in excess of appropriations in the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General) in further addition to an act making an appropriation for deficiencies in appropriations authorized in the year 1898, 767, 785, 797; enacted, 864.

APPROPRIATIONS :

Statement of estimates calling for, for the several departments of the public service for the year 1899, 29; report (no further legislation necessary) accepted, 1076.

Expenditures in excess of. (See "Auditor of Accounts;" "Lyman and Industrial Schools;" "Public Officers;" "Treasurer and Receiver-General.")

Arbitration and Conciliation, State Board of, Annual report of the, 326.

Arlington Mills, Petition (S.) for legislation to incorporate the, 980, 993, 1018; bill (S.) reported, 1064, 1071; enacted, 1074.

ARLINGTON, TOWN OF :

Petition for legislation relative to the regulation and supervision of wires over streets or buildings in the, 82; bill reported, 197, 214, 227; new draft substituted, 233; notice of rejection by the Senate, 970.

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to refund a part of its indebtedness, 83; bill reported, 155; recommitted, 177; reported, 343, 357, 369; enacted, 439.

Bill (on leave) to amend an act of the current year authorizing the, to refund a part of its indebtedness, 1055, 1059; reported, 1070; enacted, 1082.

Parkway around Spy Pond in the. (See "Metropolitan Park Commissioners, Board of.")

Armories, compensation of janitors of. (See "Militia.")

Armstrong, H. W. (See "Cape Cod.")

Army and Navy, Massachusetts in the. (See "Massachusetts in the Army and Navy.")

Arrest without a warrant, Petition (S.) for legislation to modify the law relative to the disposition of a case of, 221; report (leave to withdraw), 526; accepted, 544.

Ashland, town of, Petition for legislation to provide compensation to towns along the Sudbury River for damages caused by the construction of the water system of the city of Boston, 133; bill reported, 930; Bill (new draft reported) relative to damages occasioned by the construction of basins or reservoirs for water supply in the, 1077, 1083, 1086; enacted, 1110.

Assessment insurance. (See "Insurance;" "Insurance Commissioner;" "Insurance Companies.")

Assessors, furnishing information to. (See "Insurance Companies.")

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Purchase of real estate by certain. (See "Real Estate.")

Firemen's relief. (See "Fraternal Beneficiary Organizations.")

Certificates and returns of. (See "Corporations.")

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Attachments. (See "Real Estate;" "Trustee Process.")

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Bill (S. reported) relative to orders, rules and regulations made by the State Board of Health or by the Metropolitan Water Board, 713, 727, 785; enacted, 806.

(For other bills reported see "Civil Service;" "Criminal Cases;" "Larceny;" "Metropolitan Water Board;" "Surety Companies.")

Report (no further legislation necessary), 861; accepted, 876.

Order requesting the opinion of the, relative to the recovery of damages by owners of land bordering upon the Charles River above the bridge which is to be erected over said river in accordance with the provisions of chapter 467 of the acts of the year 1898, as amended by Senate Bill No. 42, now pending, 418; withdrawn, 432.

Order requesting the, to examine House Bill No. 1001, entitled "An Act to authorize the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to grant locations to street railway companies," together with existing laws upon the subject, and to report what authority, if any, over roads and parks within the park reservations would be possessed, after the passage of the said act, by the cities or towns owning such roads and parks, 577; rejected, 585; reconsidered, 606; withdrawn, 852.

Order requesting the opinion of the, relative to the constitutionality of section 11 of a proposed act for the consolidation of certain gas companies in the city of Boston, submitted in the fourteenth annual report of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, 721; opinion submitted, 823; placed on file, 933.

ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW :

Petition for legislation to protect attorneys and counsellors-at-law from collusive and fraudulent settlements by and between their clients, 170; report (leave to withdraw), 421; accepted, 441.

Bill (on leave) relative to the admission of, 163; reported, 675; referred to the next General Court, 698.

Auctioneers, Petition for legislation to authorize the issue of licenses to, without the signatures of members of boards of aldermen, 188; Bill (reported) relative to, 401, 416; recommitted, 441; new draft reported, 476, 503; new draft substituted, 546; enacted, 636.

AUDITOR OF ACCOUNTS: (See "State Officers.")

Notified of his election, 17.

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Bill (S. on leave) to authorize the employment of a messenger in the department of the, 100; reported, 285, 332, 347, 357; enacted, 463.

Abstract of the annual report of the, 128 (for bill reported see "Metropolitan Sewerage Loans Sinking Fund"); report (no further legislation necessary) accepted, 1097.

Supplementary reports of the, of expenditures in excess of appropriations. (See "Lyman and Industrial Schools;" "Treasurer and Receiver-General.")

Report of the, relative to expenses of committees for advertising notices of hearings. (See "Committee Hearings.")

Fiftieth annual report of the, 915; report (no further legislation necessary) accepted, 1077.

Auditors (see "Cities"), Petition for legislation relative to the appointment of, by the Governor, 169; report (leave to withdraw), 460; accepted, 479.

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Baggage. (See "Railroad Commissioners, Board of;" "Railroad Companies.")

Bail (see "Police Officers"), Petition relative to the taking of, 105; report (leave to withdraw), 714; accepted, 726.

Bakeries, Petition for legislation relative to, and persons employed therein, 188; report (leave to withdraw), 399; accepted, 426.

Ballots. (See "Caucuses;" "Elections.")

Bank Officers' Association of the City of Boston. (See "Fraternal Beneficiary Organizations.")

Banks. (See "Savings Banks.")

Banks and Banking, committee on, appointed, 22; granted until March 29 to report on certain matters, 551.

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Barbers, Bill (S. on leave) relative to the licensing of, 158; notice of rejection by the Senate, 588.

BARNSTABLE, COUNTY OF:

Petition for legislation relative to the session of the Superior Court for the, 219, 247; bill reported, 557, 628, 639; enacted, 704.

Petition for legislation relative to the sessions of the First District Court of Barnstable, 219, 247; remonstrances, 496, 522; report (leave to withdraw), 555; accepted, 572.

County tax for the. (See "County Receipts and Expenditures.")

Barnstable County Street Railway Company, Petition for legislation to extend the charter of the, 1055, 1059; report (S. reference to the next General Court) accepted, 1105.

Barnstable, town of, construction of a channel from East Bay in the, to Vineyard Sound, and improvement of the channel in Lewis Bay in the. (See "Harbor and Land Commissioners, Board of.")

Bartlett Cemetery Association, Petition for legislation to incorporate the, 149; bill reported, 400, 416, 428; enacted, 512.

Bass. (See "Nantucket, County of.")

Bastardy bonds, approval of. (See "Courts.")

Bastardy cases, Petition for legislation to abolish entry fees and other charges in, 121; bill (S.) reported, 811, 830, 844; enacted, 852.

Battle flags. (See "Flags.")

Beacon Hill, height of buildings on, in the city of Boston. (See "State House.")

BECKET, TOWN OF:

Petition for legislation to legalize certain proceedings of the, 52; bill reported, 101, 108, 116; enacted, 214.

Petition for legislation to ratify and confirm the proceedings of a recent meeting of the, 631, 685; Bill (reported) to confirm the acts of certain towns at their annual meetings in the year 1899, 794, 807, 831; recommitted (S.), 896; Bill (S. reported) to legalize and confirm certain proceedings of the, 1020; enacted, 1037.

Benevolent Institute of Boston, Petition (S.) for legislation to incorporate the, 195. [Bill reported in the Senate and rejected.]

Bent, George O., Petition for legislation to increase the annuity allowed, of Framingham, 207; report (leave to withdraw), 435, 456; resolve substituted, 466; rejected, 520, 530, 862.

Berkshire and Canaan Street Railway Company, Petition for legislation to incorporate the, 671, 685; bill (S.) reported, 980, 1004, 1013; enacted, 1037.

BERKSHIRE, COUNTY OF:

Petition for legislation to authorize the county commissioners of the, to borrow money to pay a part of its indebtedness, 32; bill reported, 68, 78, 85; enacted, 115.

Petition (S.) for legislation to increase the salary of the justice of the District Court of Central Berkshire, 95; bill (S.) reported, 601, 768, 785, 807; enacted, 814.

BERKSHIRE, COUNTY OF — *Concluded.*

Petition for legislation to establish the salary of the clerk of the District Court of Northern Berkshire, 135; bill reported, 438, 477, 493, 504; enacted, 594.

County tax for the. (See "County Receipts and Expenditures.")

Bertillon method of identification of criminals. (See "Criminals.")

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Bickford, Alfred, Petition for legislation to compensate, for injuries received while on duty at the annual muster of the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia in the year 1898, 99; Resolve (reported) in favor of, 332, 438, 455, 466; passed, 736.

Bicycle paths, Petition for legislation to provide a penalty for trespassing on, 207; bill reported, 285; recommitted, 302; new draft reported, 527, 607, 624, 639, 752, 799, 828; committee of conference (S.), 872; report accepted, 1105; bill enacted, 1110.

Bicycles. (See "Railroad Commissioners, Board of;" "Railroad Companies.")

Bills in the Third Reading, committee on, appointed, 21; clerical assistance provided, 28.

Birds. (See "Fish and Game;" "Lord's Day.")

Births, marriages and deaths, So much of the fifty-sixth Registration Report as relates to, and to the returns of medical examiners, 30; report (S. no legislation necessary), 125; accepted, 139.

Blasting (see "Metropolitan District"), Petition for legislation to prevent unlawful, 169; bill reported, 500, 514; Bill (title changed) giving the Superior Court jurisdiction to prevent unlawful, 546; enacted, 663.

Blind (see "Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind"), Resolve (on leave) relative to the instruction of the adult, 81; new draft reported, 198, 231, 240, 250; passed, 333.

Blood, Charles H., Resignation of, of Fitchburg, member of the House from the Thirteenth Worcester Representative District, 1114.

Blue Book, Resolve (reported on so much of the annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth as relates to state printing) to provide for printing twelve thousand copies of the, for 1899, 619, 645, 666; Bill (substituted) relative to the printing and distribution of the, 679; enacted, 864.

Blue-fish. (See "Nantucket, County of.")

Blue Hills reservation. (See "Metropolitan Park Commissioners, Board of.")

Bogan, Frederic B., children of. (See "Boston, City of" — *Employees.*)

Boilers. (See "Engineers;" "Steam Boilers.")

Bonds. (See "Corporations;" "Courts;" "Probate Bonds;" "Savings Banks;" "Surety Companies.")

Boston and Albany Railroad Company (see "Cambridge, City of"), Petition for legislation to provide that the right of the, to take certain land in the city of Boston belonging to the estate of the late Henry

Williams shall be repealed and terminated, 170 ; petition for legislation to provide that the right of the, to take certain land owned by William S. Hills in the city of Boston shall be repealed and terminated, 170 ; Bill (reported) to limit the time within which the, may take certain lands in Boston under the provisions of the act of incorporation of the Boston Terminal Company, 487, 504, 546 ; enacted, 620.

BOSTON AND EASTERN EXPRESS COMPANY :

Petition for legislation to incorporate the (referred to the next General Court), 190.

Petition for legislation to incorporate the, 243, 264 ; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 937 ; accepted, 949.

Boston, Bank Officers' Association of the City of. (See "Fraternal Beneficiary Organizations.")

Boston, Benevolent Institute of. (See "Benevolent Institute of Boston.")

BOSTON, BOARD OF POLICE FOR THE CITY OF :

Fourteenth annual report of the, 30 ; report (S. no legislation necessary), 282 ; accepted, 300.

Petition for legislation relative to the expenditures of the, 187 ; report (S. leave to withdraw), 328 ; accepted, 346.

Boston, Cape Cod and New York Canal Company, Petition for legislation to authorize the construction of a canal across Cape Cod, 105 ; Bill (S. reported) to incorporate the, 1055, 1057, 1071 ; enacted, 1078.

Boston Catholic Cemetery Association. (See "Dorchester, Proprietors of the Catholic Cemetery in.")

BOSTON, CITY OF : (See "Ashland, Town of ;" "Cambridge, City of ;" "Eastern Cold Storage Company.")

Petition (S.) for legislation relative to the selling of articles in the streets and from house to house in the, 89, 96, 114 ; report (S. reference to next General Court), 554 ; accepted, 622.

Bill (on leave) relative to contracts made by the, for public works, 104 ; reported, 526 ; rejected, 608.

Bill (on leave) relative to the assessing of men in the, for polls and for voting purposes and for assessing women for voting purposes, 110 ; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 654.

Bill (on leave) relative to the registration of voters in the, 119 ; reported, 450 ; rejected, 465.

Petition for legislation to authorize the tabulation in detail of statistics of parent nativity and other related facts concerning the population of the, from the decennial census, 165 ; bill reported, 386 ; resolve reported, 437, 455, 466 ; passed, 620.

Petition for legislation relative to the municipal debt and rate of taxation in the, 169 ; report (leave to withdraw), 803 ; accepted, 815.

Bill (on leave) relative to Stony Brook in the, 180, 244 ; reported (S.), 895, 934, 976 ; enacted, 986.

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Petition for legislation to authorize the, to issue loans for the extension of its water distribution system, 168; report (reference to the next General Court), 399, 414; accepted, 488.

Bill (on leave) to require poles for wires in the, to be made of iron, 163; reported, 364; rejected, 377.

Petition (S.) for legislation to provide that laborers employed under contract in the, shall be paid two dollars per day for nine hours' work, 196; report (leave to withdraw), 450, 464; accepted, 513.

Petition (S.) for legislation to permit the consolidation of the several petitions to be brought for damages sustained by the, under chapter 488 of the acts of the year 1895 in one proceeding, 211; report (S. leave to withdraw), 927; accepted, 939.

Visit of the President of the United States to the. (See "United States, President of the.")

Additional subways in the. (See "Boston Transit Commission.")

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Boards, departments and officers:

Petition for legislation to require the, to furnish water for domestic purposes without charge and to provide a more equitable method of supporting and maintaining the water department of said city, 112, 137; report (reference to the next General Court), 793; accepted, 820.

Petition for legislation relative to the finances of the, 88; Bill (reported) relative to the board of estimate and apportionment of the, 812, 841, 981; rejected, 1065.

Petition for legislation to provide for the abolition of the board of election commissioners of the, 203; report (leave to withdraw), 306; accepted, 322.

Bill (on leave) relative to the election of the mayor of the, 129; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 654.

Petition (S.) for legislation to amend the charter of the, relative to the term of office of mayor, 209; report (S. leave to withdraw), 484; accepted, 503.

Petition for legislation relative to the board of assessors in the, 184; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 449; accepted, 465.

Petition for legislation relative to the duties of assessors in the, 184; bill reported, 590, 699, 706; new draft substituted, 789, 896, 908; enacted, 933.

Petition for legislation relative to the appointment of assessors and assistant assessors and the duties of the same in the, 185; report (reference to the next General Court), 472; accepted, 490.

Bill (on leave) relative to certain departments of the, 129; reported, 353; referred to the next General Court, 368.

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Petition (S.) for legislation to abolish the board of estimate and apportionment of the, 174, 553; report (leave to withdraw), 850, 865; Bill (substituted) relative to the finances of the, 909, 938, 977, 987, 1052; enacted, 1066.

Petition for legislation to reorganize the institutions registration department of the, 182; report (leave to withdraw), 484; accepted, 513; reconsidered and recommitted, 530; bill reported, 655, 678; rejected, 750.

Petition for legislation relative to the care and custody of public baths in the, 183; report (S. leave to withdraw), 523; accepted, 573.

Petition (S.) for legislation relative to the board of street commissioners of the, 210; report (S. leave to withdraw), 684; accepted, 697.

Petition (S.) for legislation to establish a department of architecture in the, 211; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 434; accepted, 453.

Petition (S.) for legislation to place the fire department of the, on a twelve-hour basis, 196. [Reported, "leave to withdraw," in the Senate and recommitted. Bill reported and rejected.]

Petition for legislation to authorize the trustees of the public library of the, to transfer the Harris collection of books from the Charlestown Public Library to the central library building, 137; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 860; accepted, 886.

Bridges:

Petition for legislation to require the, to rebuild the Malden Bridge over the Mystic River in said city, 33; Bill (reported) relative to Malden Bridge, so called, in the, 462, 478, 507 (remonstrance), 520, 564, 596, 625 (yea and nay); enacted, 696.

Construction of a dam and of a bridge without a draw between the, and the city of Cambridge. (See "Charles River.")

Buildings: (See "Buildings;" "State House.")

Bill (on leave) to provide for the better enforcement of the building laws of the, 109; new draft reported, 256, 267, 273; enacted, 530.

Bill (on leave) to regulate further the inspection of buildings in the, 129; reported, 460; rejected, 513.

Petition for legislation for the further protection of the public health, 150; bill reported, 451, 467, 501; Bill (new draft substituted) to provide for the further protection of the public health in the, 515; enacted, 606.

Petition for legislation to extend the fire limits of the, 183; Bill (reported) relative to the building laws of the, 724, 783; laid aside on a point of order, 907.

Petition for legislation to amend the building laws of the, 183; report (S. leave to withdraw), 507; accepted, 532.

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City council :

Bill (on leave) to reorganize the board of aldermen and common council of the, 51, 62; Bill (on leave) to divide the, into aldermanic districts, 103; Bill (on leave) to change the method of electing aldermen in the, 129; Bill (on leave) to provide for the nomination of aldermen by districts in the, 179; Bill (S. reported) relative to the board of aldermen of the, 684, 755; new draft substituted, 799, 805; enacted, 875.

Bill (on leave) relative to the election of aldermen in the, 119, 459; reported, 580, 596; rejected, 804.

Petition for legislation to authorize the city council of the, to examine witnesses in certain cases and obtain information from heads of departments, 122, 173; report (leave to withdraw), 905, 967; bill substituted, 976, 986, 1005, 1025; new draft substituted, 1038, 1084; committee of conference (S.), 1095; report accepted, 1104; bill enacted, 1106.

Petition for legislation to authorize the common council of the, to compel the attendance of certain witnesses and obtain information from heads of departments, 122, 173; report (leave to withdraw), 905; accepted, 962.

Petition (S.) for legislation to authorize the city council of the, to reduce any salaries paid by the, the amounts of which are fixed by statute, 195; report (S. leave to withdraw), 434; accepted, 453.

Petition for legislation to prevent the payment of money from the treasury of the, for improper purposes, 165; Bill (reported) relative to the salaries of and the use of carriages by members of the board of aldermen of the, 543, 563, 624; notice of rejection by the Senate, 850.

Courts :

Petition for legislation to increase the salary of the clerk of the municipal court of the Brighton district of the, 40; report (leave to withdraw), 125; accepted, 139.

Petition (S.) for legislation to provide additional clerical assistance for the clerk of the municipal court of the, for civil business, 90; report (S. leave to withdraw) recommitted, 587; bill (S.) reported, 851, 866, 887; enacted, 899.

Petition for legislation to provide for the appointment of two associate justices of the municipal court of the, 498, 525; reported, 713, 768, 785, 797; enacted, 814.

Petition relative to the construction of a tunnel to East Boston, rejection by the Senate, 588.

Petition relative to the construction of a tunnel from East Boston, 149; report (S. leave to withdraw), 45.

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Petition for legislation to amend section 128 of chapter 419 of the acts of the year 1892 relative to the construction, maintenance and inspection of buildings in the, 202; report (leave to withdraw), 449; accepted, 464.

Petition for legislation to ratify and confirm certain action of the board of park commissioners of the, 205, 434; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 1043; accepted, 1052.

Bill (S. on leave) relative to tenements and lodging-houses in the, 209; notice of rejection by the Senate, 341.

Petition (S.) for legislation to authorize the maintenance of the building at the corner of St. James avenue and Trinity place in the, at the height at which it is at present erected, 209; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 1043; accepted, 1052.

Bill (S. on leave) relative to the erection and alteration of buildings in the, 283, 341; reported (S.), 449, 467; enacted, 489.

Caucuses and elections :

Petition (S.) for legislation to provide for additional polling places at caucuses in certain wards of the, 53; bill (S.) reported, 722, 790; rejected, 797.

Petition for legislation to establish two polling places for caucuses in ward 10 in the, 65; report (leave to withdraw), 579, 596, 907; accepted, 922.

Petition for legislation to authorize the nomination of the mayor of the, by direct vote in caucuses, 82; report (leave to withdraw), 364; accepted, 376.

Petition (S.) for legislation to revise and amend the laws relative to caucuses and elections and the assessment and registration of voters, also laws for the establishment of assessment and election districts and voting precincts in the, 154; report (leave to withdraw), 306; accepted, 322.

Petition (S. from the files) for legislation to revise, amend and codify the laws relative to caucuses and elections, relative to the assessment and registration of voters and relative to assessment districts and voting precincts in the, 174; report (leave to withdraw), 306; accepted, 322.

Bill (S. on leave) relative to caucuses in the, 192; reported, 687; referred to the next General Court, 697.

Bill (on leave) relative to the time for holding municipal elections in the, 50; Bill (from the files) to establish the voting day in municipal elections in the, 83; bill reported, 618, 704; rejected, 729.

Bill (S. on leave) to provide that a person applying to vote in the, shall not be required to write his name on the voting list, 172; new draft (S.) reported, 673, 748, 797; enacted, 814.

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City council :

Bill (on leave) to reorganize the board of aldermen and common council of the, 51, 62; Bill (on leave) to divide the, into aldermanic districts, 103; Bill (on leave) to change the method of electing aldermen in the, 129; Bill (on leave) to provide for the nomination of aldermen by districts in the, 179; Bill (S. reported) relative to the board of aldermen of the, 684, 755; new draft substituted, 799, 805; enacted, 875.

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Petition for legislation to authorize the city council of the, to examine witnesses in certain cases and obtain information from heads of departments, 122, 173; report (leave to withdraw), 905, 967; bill substituted, 976, 986, 1005, 1025; new draft substituted, 1038, 1084; committee of conference (S.), 1095; report accepted, 1104; bill enacted, 1106.

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Petition (S.) for legislation to authorize the city council of the, to reduce any salaries paid by the, the amounts of which are fixed by statute, 195; report (S. leave to withdraw), 434; accepted, 453.

Petition for legislation to prevent the payment of money from the treasury of the, for improper purposes, 165; Bill (reported) relative to the salaries of and the use of carriages by members of the board of aldermen of the, 543, 563, 624; notice of rejection by the Senate, 850.

Courts :

Petition for legislation to increase the salary of the clerk of the municipal court of the Brighton district of the, 40; report (leave to withdraw), 125; accepted, 139.

Petition (S.) for legislation to provide additional clerical assistance for the clerk of the municipal court of the, for civil business, 90; report (S. leave to withdraw) recommitted, 587; bill (S.) reported, 802, 851, 866, 887; enacted, 899.

Petition (S.) for legislation to provide for the appointment of two additional associate justices of the municipal court of the, 498, 525; bill (S.) reported, 713, 768, 785, 797; enacted, 814.

East Boston :

Resolution (S.) relative to the construction of a tunnel to East Boston, 94; notice of rejection by the Senate, 588.

Petition for legislation relative to the construction of a tunnel from Boston proper to East Boston, 149; report (S. leave to withdraw), 524; accepted, 545.

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Bill (S. from the files) relative to the crossings of railroads and public ways in East Boston, 208; new draft reported, 501, 645, 657, 698; enacted, 1010.

Employees :

Petition (S.) for legislation to authorize the, to pay a sum of money to Sarah E. Leavitt, widow of William D. Leavitt, 106; bill reported, 462, 514, 535; notice of rejection by the Senate, 701.

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to pay a sum of money to the widow of Charles Bulle, 145; bill reported, 461, 513, 534; notice of rejection by the Senate, 701.

Bill (on leave) to authorize the, to pay a sum of money to Mary A. Davis, 162; reported, 463, 514, 534; notice of rejection by the Senate, 701.

Bill (on leave) to authorize the, to pay a sum of money to the widow of Edward Melia, 162; reported, 463, 514, 534; notice of rejection by the Senate, 701.

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to pay a sum of money to the mother of James F. Ryan, 165; bill reported, 461, 514, 534; notice of rejection by the Senate, 701.

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to pay a sum of money to Delia McGrath, widow of John McGrath, 165; bill reported, 461, 514, 535; notice of rejection by the Senate, 701.

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to pay a sum of money to the widow of Martin F. McDonald, 166; Bill (on leave) to authorize the, to pay a sum of money to the family of Martin F. McDonald, 179; bill reported, 461, 514, 534; notice of rejection by the Senate, 849.

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to pay a sum of money to Lucy G. Kelly, widow of William J. Kelly, 183; bill reported, 461, 514, 534; notice of rejection by the Senate, 701.

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to pay a sum of money to Ellen A. Murphy, 183; bill reported, 461, 514, 534; notice of rejection by the Senate, 701.

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to pay a sum of money to the mother of Joseph D. Lane, 183; bill reported, 461, 514, 534; enacted, 864.

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to pay a sum of money to the widow of John Rossiter, 184; bill reported, 461, 514, 534; notice of rejection by the Senate, 701.

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to pay a sum of money to the widow of Daniel F. Cadigan, 203; bill reported, 462, 514, 534; notice of rejection by the Senate, 850.

Petition (S.) for legislation to authorize the, to pay a sum of money to the children of Frederic B. Bogan, 210; bill reported, 462, 514, 534; enacted, 852.

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Employees — Concluded.

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to pay a sum of money to the father of Thomas L. Rourke, 522, 614; bill reported, 1022, 1038, 1046; enacted, 1082.

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to pay a sum of money to Catherine C. Dodge, 693, 811; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 970.

Gas :

Order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to investigate certain matters pertaining to the manufacture and distribution of gas in the, 161, 265; rejected, 274.

Opinion of the Attorney-General requested relative to a proposed act for the consolidation of certain gas companies in the. (See "Attorney-General.")

Intoxicating liquors :

Petition (from the files) for legislation to provide for the appointment of a board of license commissioners for the, and to define its powers and duties, 45; report (leave to withdraw), 485; accepted, 503.

Bill (on leave) relative to the termination of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the, 51; reported, 399; rejected, 415.

Bill (on leave) to establish a board of excise for the, 51; reported, 486; rejected, 503.

Petition for legislation to provide for local option by districts in the, 111; petitions in aid, 351, 363; report (leave to withdraw), 410, 424, 840; accepted, 882.

Bill (on leave) to decrease the number of licenses in the, 180; reported, 437; rejected, 454.

Bill (S. on leave) relative to taking the vote upon the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the, 192; notice of rejection by the Senate, 588.

Parks, parkways and playgrounds : (See "Metropolitan Park Commissioners, Board of.")

Petition for legislation to enable the, to finish the construction of its public parks, 88; bill reported, 605, 665, 678, 719; enacted, 782.

Bill (on leave) relative to the leasing of buildings and the granting of concessions by the park commissioners of the, 119; notice of rejection by the Senate, 296.

Petition for legislation relative to streets and lands in the neighborhood of parks, parkways and boulevards in the, 131; report (S. leave to withdraw), 1030; accepted, 1045.

Petition for legislation to enable the, to purchase or acquire certain land in ward 25 for park purposes, 133; Bill (reported) to place the Chestnut Hill Reservoir grounds under the custody of the board of park commissioners of the, 605, 639, 649; enacted, 704.

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Petition for legislation relative to the construction of the Charles River embankment in the, 187; report (S. leave to withdraw), 733; accepted, 754.

Petition for legislation to authorize the board of park commissioners of the, to take land by eminent domain for playgrounds, 134; petition (S.) for legislation to amend the law providing for a comprehensive system of playgrounds in the, 196, 296; Bill (reported) relative to the system of playgrounds for the, 558, 609, 649; enacted, 725.

Bill (on leave) relative to lands and buildings under the control of the park commissioners of the, 201; reported, 604; rejected, 623.

Petition for legislation to authorize the park commissioners of the, to take Downing's Pond and Chandler's Pond in said city and the city of Newton, 205; report (reference to the next General Court), 589; accepted, 608.

Police: (See "Boston, Board of Police for the City of.")

Bill (on leave) relative to the police department in the, 81; reported, 265, 272; rejected, 463.

Bill (S. on leave) relative to the granting of leave of absence to police officers in the, 208; notice of rejection by the Senate, 341.

Railroads: (See "Boston and Albany Railroad Company;" "Grade Crossings.")

Bill (on leave) to regulate passenger fares on railroads within the suburban district of the, 164; reported, 511, 584, 595; referred to the next General Court, 805.

Petition for legislation relative to the sale of tickets on railroads in the suburban district of the, 170; report (reference to the next General Court), 510, 583, 595; accepted, 804.

Petition for legislation relative to workingmen's trains and extending the time of service thereof, 170; report (reference to the next General Court), 510, 583, 595, 875; accepted, 908; reconsidered, 918, 945; accepted (yea and nay on the substitution of a bill), 950.

Petition for legislation relative to the abolition of grade crossings in the, 190; report (leave to withdraw), 633, 709, 982; accepted, 995.

Petition for legislation to provide low rates for travel over railroads within a radius of twenty-five miles of the, 206; report (reference to the next General Court), 510, 583, 595; accepted, 813.

Petition for legislation to extend the time for filing petitions for damages under the act to provide for a union station for passengers on railroads entering the southerly part of the, 744, 838, 864; referred to the next General Court, 972.

BOSTON, CITY OF — Continued.***Railroads — Concluded.***

Petition for legislation relative to the time of filing petitions for the assessment of damages accruing from the location and construction of railroads under the act to provide for a union station for passengers on railroads entering the southerly part of the, 801, 838, 864; bill reported, 970; enacted, 1023.

Schools : (See "State Normal Art School;" "Vacation Schools.")

Petition (S.) for legislation to authorize the formation and disbursement of a public school teachers' retirement fund in the, 84. [Bill reported in the Senate and rejected.]

Petition (from the files) for legislation relative to the public schools of the, and providing for a reorganization of the government thereof, 191, 271. [Bill reported in the Senate and rejected.]

Petition (S.) for legislation to provide for building and furnishing a normal school in the, 195; bill (S.) reported, 568, 609, 649; enacted, 664.

Petition (S.) for legislation to provide for grammar and primary schoolhouses in the, 196; report (S. leave to withdraw), 653; accepted, 678; reconsidered, 687; accepted, 862.

Petition (S.) for legislation relative to additions to and alterations and repairs on school buildings in the, 210, 317; bill (S.) reported, 860, 886, 903, 908; enacted, 933.

Bill (ordered printed) relative to the school committee of the, 611.

Sewers :

Petition for legislation to repeal an act relative to the sewerage works of the, 83; petition in aid, 216; report (leave to withdraw), 803; accepted, 815.

Bill (on leave) relative to the sewerage works of the, 51; reported, 803, 834; rejected, 877.

Petition for legislation to amend chapter 426 of the acts of the year 1897 relative to the sewerage works of the, 133; Bill (on leave) to amend an act relative to the sewerage works of the, 180; bill reported, 804, 835, 880, 910, 923 (yea and nay); new draft substituted, 925, 930 (yea and nay), 1007, 1024; recommitted, 1038; reported, 1057; enacted, 1082.

Petition for legislation to provide for the repayment of sewer taxes unlawfully collected by the, under chapter 436 of the acts of the year 1897, 1030, 1059; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 1096.

Contracts between the, and the city of Newton for the disposal of surface water and sewage. (See "Newton, City of.")

Emptying of sewage and surface drainage into the stream of the Riverway in the. (See "Brookline, Town of.")

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Street railways: (See "Boston Transit Commission.")

Petition for legislation to authorize the replacing of street railway tracks on Tremont and Boylston streets in the, 33; petition for legislation to enable the West End Street Railway Company to restore its tracks on Tremont and Boylston streets in the, 52; bill reported, 571, 621, 643 (remonstrance), 659, 667 (yea and nay), 689, 747, 771 (yea and nay), 775 (yea and nay), 937, 974, 987 (yea and nay); enacted, 1011.

Bill (on leave) relative to the transportation of letter carriers on street cars in the, 585, 746, 799; referred to the next General Court, 855.

Streets and alleys: (See "Boston Transit Commission;" "Massachusetts Highway Commission.")

Bill (on leave) to repeal chapter 210 of the acts of the year 1898 relative to the plotting and laying out of streets in the, 51; notice of rejection by the Senate, 970.

Petition (from the files) for legislation relative to the construction of a boulevard from the corner of Blue Hill avenue and Morton street to Washington street at Forest Hills in the, 94; petition (S.) for legislation to authorize the, to expend \$2,000,000 in laying out, locating anew, altering, widening and constructing highways not exceeding fifty feet in width, 95; Bill (S. on leave) relative to the laying out and construction of Bennington street and of other highways in the, 193; petition for legislation to authorize the, to construct an extension of Malvern street in said city, 205; Bill (S. reported) relative to the laying out and construction of highways in the, 1007, 1026 (yea and nay), 1042, 1046; enacted, 1066.

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to borrow money outside the debt limit for the extension of Cove street, 101; bill reported, 591; recommitted, 606; reported, 793; rejected, 821.

Petition for legislation relative to the extension and construction of Cove street in the, 123; remonstrance, 175; report (leave to withdraw), 589; recommitted, 607; Bill (reported) to provide for the extension of Atlantic avenue, formerly Cove street, in the, 793, 821, 866, 961, 974, 990; committee of conference, 1044, 1056; report accepted, 1098; bill enacted, 1103.

Petition for legislation relative to the laying out and construction of highways in the, 136; Bill (S. reported) relative to the establishment of highways in the, 1020, 1038, 1052; enacted, 1066.

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to abate a portion of certain assessments for the construction of highways, 144, 317; report (S. leave to withdraw), 916; accepted, 949.

Petition for legislation to amend chapter 210 of the acts of the year 1898 relative to the plotting and laying out of streets in the, 145, 291; report (S. leave to withdraw), 916; accepted, 962.

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Streets and alleys — Concluded.

Petition for legislation relative to the plotting and laying out of streets in the, 146, 291; report (S. leave to withdraw), 916; accepted, 977.

Bill (on leave) relative to the extension of Cove street in the, 164; reported, 590, 607, 982; rejected, 995.

Petition for legislation to provide for the widening of Pine street in the, 166; report (leave to withdraw), 385; accepted, 402.

Bill (on leave) to provide for the widening of Hampden street in the, 179; notice of rejection by the Senate, 588.

Petition relative to the construction of streets in the, 183, 553; report (S. leave to withdraw), 947; accepted, 963.

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to levy assessments for the removal of snow from public alleys, 187; report (leave to withdraw), 298; accepted, 308.

Bill (on leave) relative to special assessments in the, 201; Bill (reported) relative to the watering of streets in the, 813, 858, 864, 866, 890; enacted, 948.

Bill (ordered printed) to authorize the replacing of street car tracks on Boylston and Tremont streets in the, 482.

Boston Dental College, Petition (S.) for legislation to authorize the, and the trustees of Tufts College to unite, 174; bill (S.) reported, 276, 286, 301; enacted, 321.

Boston Elevated Railway Company, use of subways leased to the, in the city of Boston. (See "Boston Transit Commission.")

Boston, First Church in, Petition for legislation to amend the charter of the, 187; report (leave to withdraw), 374; accepted, 388.

BOSTON HARBOR: (See "Dorchester Bay;" "Suffolk, County of.")

So much of the Governor's address as relates to the construction of a new dry dock at the Boston Navy Yard, 59; Bill (S. reported) to cede certain land in, and jurisdiction over the same to the United States for the purpose of extending the present limits of the United States Navy Yard, 191; enacted, 214.

Bill (S. on leave) relative to the improvement of, 1065, 1074; new draft (S.) reported, 1088, 1099; enacted, 1104.

Discharge of sewage into. (See "Health, State Board of.")

Boston Letter Carriers' Mutual Benefit Association, Petition (S.) for legislation to authorize the, to receive and hold grants, devises, bequests, donations and other funds for the purposes of its incorporation, 90; bill (S.) reported, 317, 335, 345, 983, 995; rejected, 1065.

Boston Marine Society, Petition for legislation to amend the charter of the, 186; report (leave to withdraw), 306; accepted, 322.

Boston Navy Yard. (See "Boston Harbor.")

Boston, Quincy and Fall River Bicycle Railway Company, Petition for legislation to extend the time for building the, 65; bill (S.) reported, 317, 335, 345, 369; enacted, 423.

Boston Terminal Company. (See "Boston and Albany Railroad Company;" "Savings Banks.")

BOSTON TRANSIT COMMISSION:

So much of the Governor's address as relates to the Metropolitan District, 59; Bill (reported) relative to the, 769, 828, 844, 881, 892, 902, 911; enacted, 986.

Petition (S.) for legislation to provide for the construction of additional subways in the city of Boston, 211; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 734, 795; accepted, 804.

Petition (S.) for legislation to instruct the, to consider what should be done further to relieve the streets and promote rapid transit in the city of Boston, 211; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 734, 795; accepted, 804.

Order requesting the, to inform the House whether the subways leased to the Boston Elevated Railway Company now are being used by said company to the full capacity thereof, especially at the Park street station, 682; adopted, 692; communication from the, 743.

Order relative to printing three hundred copies of the stenographic report of the testimony of Mr. B. Leighton Beal, secretary of the, before the committee on Street Railways, relative to the use and capacity of the subway in the city of Boston, 700; amended and rejected, 711.

Bottles, boxes, cans, etc. (See "Trade-marks.")

Boulevards. (See "Metropolitan Park Commissioners, Board of;" "Parks.")

Boundary line of the Commonwealth. (See "New Hampshire, State of;" "Rhode Island, State of.")

Bounties. (See "Danvers, Town of;" "Dunbar, George;" "Scannell, Michael;" "Soldiers and Sailors;" "Steel;" "Stoneham, Town of.")

Bourne, town of, Petition for legislation for the further protection of the alewife fishery in Monument or Herring River in the, 51; bill reported, 366, 378, 404; enacted, 530.

Boxes, bottles, cans, etc. (See "Trade-marks.")

Boxford, town of. (See "Haverhill, Police Court of.")

Boys, Lyman School for. (See "Lyman and Industrial Schools.")

Bradford Manuscript History. (See "Plymouth Plantation, Bradford's History of the.")

Bridgewater, State Normal School at (see "Corson, Annie H."), Resolve (on leave) in favor of the, 142; reported, 231, 239, 250, 259; passed, 321.

Brigham, William M., Resignation of, of Marlborough, member of the House from the Twenty-first Middlesex Representative District, 1113.

Brintnall, Norman Y., Petition for legislation to compensate, for the loss of a horse killed in the service of the Commonwealth, 236, 264; resolve reported, 543, 715, 755, 771; passed, 973.

BRISTOL, COUNTY OF: (See "Acushnet River.")

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to reimburse the special justice of the First District Court of Bristol for travelling expenses, 88; bill reported, 231, 240, 250; enacted, 321.

Bill (on leave) to establish a sitting of the Superior Court for the, in city of Fall River, 143; reported, 298, 308, 323, 395; enacted, 423.

Petition for legislation to authorize the treasurer of the, to employ clerical assistance, 150; bill reported, 298, 320, 335, 347; enacted, 463.

County tax for the. (See "County Receipts and Expenditures.")

Brockton, Bridgewater and Taunton Street Railway Company, Petition (S.) for legislation to authorize the, to act as a common carrier of fuel and supplies for street railway purposes, 221, 247; bill (S.) reported, 568, 648, 666; enacted, 688.

BROCKTON, CITY OF:

Petition for legislation to exempt the, from the operation of the law relative to the limit of the municipal debt and the rate of taxation in cities, 131; bill (S.) reported, 317, 335, 348; enacted, 366.

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to take water from Silver Lake in the towns of Pembroke, Kingston, Plympton and Halifax for an additional water supply, 172, 245; Bill (reported) to authorize the, to take an additional water supply, 813, 830, 844; enacted, 907.

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to incur indebtedness for the improvement of its public streets and ways, 237, 244; bill (S) reported, 554, 574, 583; enacted, 606.

Brockton, police court of, Petition for legislation to increase the salary of the justice of the, 40; bill (S.), 632, 768, 806, 819, 866; enacted, 875.

Brokers, Petition (from the files) for legislation to require business, to be licensed, 83; report (leave to withdraw), 353; accepted, 367.

BROOKLINE, TOWN OF:

Bill (from the files) relative to the licensing of gas fitters and persons who install or repair gas, combination or electric fixtures, and to the supervision of the business of gas fitting and the installation and repair of combination or electric fixtures, 62; Bill (reported) relative to the licensing of gas fitters and persons who install or repair gas fixtures, and to the supervision of the business of gas fitting and the installation and repair of gas fixtures in the, 265, 273, 287; new draft substituted, 301; enacted, 401.

Petition for legislation to authorize the formation of a fire department in the, 89; bill reported, 307, 322, 335; enacted, 401.

Petition (S.) for legislation to authorize the city of Boston and the, to continue to put sewage and surface drainage into the stream of the Riverway between said city and town, 196; report (reference to the next General Court), 410; accepted, 425.

Brown-tail moth. (See "Agriculture, Massachusetts State Board of;" "Gypsy Moth.")

BUILDINGS: (See "Cities;" "Liens;" "Sidewalks;" "State House;" "Towns;" "Unauthorized Structures.")

Bill (on leave) relative to the inspection of, 142; reported, 320, 335, 347; enacted, 423.

Bill (on leave) for further legislation to restrict the height of, in the city of Boston, 183; Bill (reported) relative to the height of, 829, 871, 880; rejected, 891.

Bulfinch State House. (See "State House.")

Bulle, Charles. (See "Boston, City of" — *Employees.*)

Bulletin of committee hearings. (See "Committee Hearings.")

Bureau of Statistics of Labor. (See "Labor, Bureau of Statistics of.")

Burr, Lemuel, Petition for legislation to authorize the payment of an allowance from the treasury of the Commonwealth to, a member of the Ponkapoag tribe of Indians, 89; resolve reported, 138, 157, 177, 262, 284, 300; passed, 321.

Business brokers. (See "Brokers.")

Business concerns, Petition for legislation to provide for informing the public of the names, residences and responsibilities of parties doing business in the Commonwealth, 204; report (leave to withdraw), 399; accepted, 415.

Butler, Major-General Benjamin F., Petition for legislation to provide for the erection of an equestrian statue of, on the State House grounds, 207; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 470; accepted, 491.

Butter, Bill (reported on the annual report of the Dairy Bureau of the Massachusetts State Board of Agriculture) relative to renovated, so called, 675, 726, 755; enacted, 864.

Butterfield, Helen L., Petition for legislation to provide for the payment of a sum of money to, for certain damages growing out of takings of the Metropolitan Park Commission, 207; report (leave to withdraw), 994, 1018, 1025; amended (reference to the next General Court) and accepted, 1039.

Butter-fish. (See "Buzzard's Bay.")

Buzzard's Bay, Petition for legislation to permit the taking of butter-fish by nets or weirs in, 185; petitions in aid, 393; report (leave to withdraw), 485; accepted, 502.

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Cadigan, Daniel F., widow of. (See "Boston, City of" — *Employees.*)

Cambridge Bridge Commission. (See "Charles River.")

CAMBRIDGE, CITY OF: (See "Somerville, City of.")

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to make an additional loan for park purposes, 166; bill reported, 462, 493, 504; enacted, 606.

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Petition for legislation to authorize the, to abate or refund certain betterments assessed on account of the construction of public parks, 166 ; bill reported, 374, 389 ; new draft substituted, 416 ; enacted, 488.

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- County treasurers, Bill (on leave) relative to deposits by, 128; reported, 248, 259, 268; enacted, 307.
- Court, contempt of (See "Contempt of Court.")
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- Petition for legislation to authorize clerks of police, municipal and district, to approve bastardy bonds, 186; bill reported, 570, 608, 625; enacted, 688.
- Bill (S. on leave) relative to clerical assistance for clerks of, 192; new draft (S.) reported, 849, 865, 879; enacted, 899.
- Petition (S.) for legislation to remedy and correct abuses of legal process and practice, 195; report (S. leave to withdraw), 458; accepted, 479
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- Criminal cases, Bill (S. reported on the annual report of the Attorney-General) relative to delaying service of warrants in, 904, 975, 987; enacted, 1010.

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Twenty-first annual report of the trustees of the, 31; report (S. no further legislation necessary), 329; accepted, 346.

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Petition for legislation to authorize the trustees of the, to make certain repairs and improvements, 52; resolve reported, 249, 307, 324, 355, 369, 378; passed, 464.

Petition (S.) for legislation to authorize the, to procure a supply of water from Middleton and Swan's ponds in the town of Middleton, 61; referred to the next General Court, 265.

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Bill (on leave) to repeal the act establishing a fire department for the, 848, 873; reported, 930, 939, 949; enacted, 1010.

Darling, Daniel W. and Jasper T., Petition for legislation to reimburse, for losses sustained by them in the erection of certain buildings, 131, 193; report (leave to withdraw) accepted, 1098.

Davis, Mary A. (See "Boston, City of"—*Employees.*)

Davis, Samuel T., Resolve (S. on leave) in favor of, 472, 525; reported (S.), 723, 755, 771; passed, 795.

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Dead, Petition for legislation relative to the transportation and burial of the, 206; report (leave to withdraw), 410; recommitted, 424; report (reference to the next General Court), 473; accepted, 491.

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Bill (on leave) relative to the punishment for murder, 129; reported, 851, 890; referred to the next General Court, 934.

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Bill (on leave) relative to the allowance to be paid to the widow and children of a deceased person in certain cases, 51; reported, 591, 624, 648, 766, 784; enacted, 806.

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Petition (S.) for legislation to repeal the act relative to evidence in actions against the estates of, 210; report (S. leave to withdraw), 613; accepted, 638.

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Dedham, Third Parish of, Petition for legislation to change the name of the, to the First Parish of Westwood, 149; bill reported, 284, 300, 309, 384, 403; enacted, 423.

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Deeds, registries of, Bill (from the files) relative to the date of filing or recording certain papers in, 83; reported, 320; rejected, 335.

Defrauding of wage earners. (See "Labor.")

Demurrers, Petition for legislation relative to judgments upon, and upon agreed facts, 167; Bill (reported) relative to appeals in actions at law upon, and agreed facts, 803, 815, 831; enacted, 907.

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Depositories, Petition for legislation relative to the business of public warehousemen and other, 168; bill reported, 753, 785, 815; enacted, 899.

Depositions, Petition (S.) for legislation to amend the law relative to the taking of, 60; bill (S.) reported, 296, 308, 324; enacted, 366.

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Report (S. no further legislation necessary), 701; accepted, 717.

Bill (on leave) relative to discharges from the, 180; new draft (S.) reported, 780, 797, 816; enacted, 842.

Bill (on leave) relative to commitments to the, 201; reported, 500, 545, 609; new draft substituted, 625; enacted, 696.

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Bill (on leave) relative to the admission of certain evidence in, and separate-maintenance proceedings, 91; reported, 542; rejected, 562.

Bill (on leave) relative to, 98; reported, 365; rejected, 377.

Petition for legislation relative to proceedings for, and separate maintenance, 316, 396; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 654.

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Dodge, Catherine C. (See "Boston, City of"—*Employees.*)

Dogs:

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Dorchester Bay, Resolution relative to the placing of a steam-launch and search-light at the life-saving station in, 74; petitions in aid, 132; reported, 475; adopted, 492.

Dorchester, First Baptist Meeting House of, situated in Neponset Village, Petition for the appointment of three trustees of the, 149; bill reported, 284, 300, 309; enacted, 375.

Dorchester, Proprietors of the Catholic Cemetery in, Petition for legislation to authorize the Boston Catholic Cemetery Association to hold additional real and personal estate, 149; Bill (reported) to authorize the, to hold additional real and personal estate, 400, 416, 428; enacted, 502.

Double taxation. (See "Taxation.")

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Drainage. (See "Sewerage.")

Drainage, committee on, appointed, 22; authorized to travel within the Commonwealth, 74; vacancy filled, 392; granted until March 29 to report on certain matters, 566. (See "Metropolitan Affairs and Drainage, Committees on.")

Draught wagons, width of tires on. (See "Tires.")

Drawbridges (see "Taunton Great River"), Petition for legislation relative to the equipment and operation of, 189, 229; report (reference to the next General Court), 410; accepted, 426.

Druggists, Petition for legislation relative to the granting of sixth-class licenses to, 186; report (leave to withdraw), 526; accepted, 544.

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Druids, American Order of, Petition (S.) for legislation to authorize the, to hold its meetings outside the Commonwealth, 138; bill (S.) reported, 283, 300, 309; enacted, 333.

Drunkenness. (See "Prisoners.")

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Dunbar, George, Petition for legislation to authorize the payment of a bounty from the treasury of the Commonwealth to, 187; resolve reported, 619, 724, 737, 984; referred to the next General Court, 1003.

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East Bay. (See "Harbor and Land Commissioners, Board of.")

East Boston. (See "Boston, City of" — *East Boston*.)

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Eastern Cold Storage Company, Petition for legislation to ratify and confirm the franchises and locations of Frank O. Squire and of the, in the city of Boston, 82; bill reported, 212, 225, 241; enacted, 286.

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Educational museum, Resolve (S. reported on the annual report of the State Board of Education) to provide for the disposition of the material of the, 723, 746, 755, 771; passed, 795.

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Election laws, committee on, appointed, 22; granted until March 29 to report on certain matters, 552; until April 5, 631. (See "Metropolitan Affairs and Election Laws, Committees on.")

ELECTIONS: (See "Intoxicating Liquors.")

Bill (on leave) relative to the recounting of votes, 87; reported, 330, 345; rejected, 390.

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Bill (S. on leave) relative to the counting of ballots at, 100; new draft (S.) reported, 497, 514, 547; enacted, 581.

Bill (on leave) to make the state election day a half-holiday, 119; reported, 460; rejected (yea and nay), 518.

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Petition (S.) for legislation to authorize women to vote in municipal elections, 124; petitions in aid, 216, 228, 230, 234, 242, 254, 260, 269, 303; report (leave to withdraw), 342, 355; accepted, 417.

Petition for legislation relative to the recounting of ballots, 132; report (leave to withdraw), 329; accepted, 348.

Petition for legislation to enable women to vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses, 133, 155; petitions in aid, 253, 260, 269, 275, 281, 290, 295, 304, 316, 327, 339, 372, 507; report (leave to withdraw), 342, 355; accepted, 417.

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Bill (S. reported) relative to caucuses and, 587, 690, 756, 788; enacted, 842.

Bill (on leave) relative to the order in which names of candidates and political designations shall be placed upon the official ballot in, 142; new draft reported, 441, 465, 504; enacted, 606.

Petition for legislation relative to filling vacancies in case of ineligibility, death or withdrawal of candidates, 146; report (leave to withdraw), 342; accepted, 356.

Bill (on leave) relative to the printing of official ballots, 163; reported, 450; rejected, 465.

Bill (S. on leave) to prohibit the placing of the name of a political party or any designation against the name of any candidate for a city or a town office, 172; notice of rejection by the Senate, 588.

Petition (S.) for legislation to provide for a half-holiday on state and city, 195; petition in aid, 237; report (S. leave to withdraw), 484; accepted, 503.

Petition for legislation to authorize women to vote for presidential electors, 203; petitions in aid, 216, 228, 230, 234, 242, 254, 260, 269, 303; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 339; accepted, 356.

Petition for legislation relative to the preparation of voting lists in the city of Worcester, 131; Bill (reported) relative to the preparation of voting lists, 343, 357, 369; enacted, 439.

Elections, committee on, appointed, 21; vacancy filled, 119.

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Electric wires, Bill (on leave) relative to the regulation of, 180 ; new draft reported, 543, 563, 609 ; enacted, 806.

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Petition (from the files) for legislation to provide for safety guards upon, 100 ; report (leave to withdraw), 829 ; accepted, 843.

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Employers. (See "Labor.")

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Bill (on leave) relative to evidence in actions for personal injuries and death, 143 ; reported, 702, 717, 918 ; rejected, 963.

Bill (on leave) to give a right of action for personal injury or death, 144 ; reported, 702, 717, 918 ; rejected, 963.

Bill (on leave) relative to the assumption of risks of danger by employees, 163 ; reported, 724, 737, 863, 880, 889, 914, 919 ; rejected 963.

Bill (on leave) relative to injuries received upon or about railroads and railways, 163 ; reported, 724, 737, 863 ; rejection negatived, 881, 892, 911, 918, 957 (yea and nay) ; notice of rejection by the Senate, 1032.

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Bill (on leave) to amend the, act, 180 ; reported, 714, 726, 863 ; rejected, 876.

Petition for legislation more fully to define the, 186 ; report (leave to withdraw), 874, 891, 900, 917 ; accepted (yea and nay on substituting a bill), 952.

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So much of the annual report of the Chief of the Massachusetts District Police as relates to steam boilers, firemen and, 30 ; Bill (reported) relative to the licensing of, and firemen, 724, 790, 820, 928 ; enacted, 948.

Bill (S. on leave) relative to the licensing of, 192 ; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 1032.

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EPILEPTICS, MASSACHUSETTS HOSPITAL FOR :

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Petition (S.) for legislation to provide for certain new buildings and improvements at the, 221 ; resolve reported, 307 :

Bill (reported) to provide for the construction of new buildings at the, 617, 639, 649 ; enacted, 736.

EPILEPTICS, MASSACHUSETTS HOSPITAL FOR — *Concluded.*

Resolve (reported) to provide for certain improvements at the, 617, 639, 649; passed, 736.

EQUITABLE PROCESS: (See "Execution.")

Petition for legislation relative to an, after judgment in certain cases, 32; report (leave to withdraw), 811; accepted, 830.

Bill (on leave) relative to, after judgment in certain cases, 81; petition for legislation relative to an, after judgment in certain cases, 121; bill reported, 906, 968, 983, 1001 (yea and nay), 1019, 1064; enacted, 1074.

Bill (on leave) to exempt from, the sum of not less than ten dollars per week of a debtor's income, 164, 498; reported, 812; rejected (yea and nay), 856.

Equity hearings, Petition (S.) for legislation to amend the law relative to, 220; report (S. leave to withdraw), 579; accepted, 597.

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Petition for legislation to increase the salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for the, 150; report (leave to withdraw), 399; accepted, 415.

Petition for legislation to increase the salary of the assistant register of probate and insolvency for the, 151; report (leave to withdraw), 385; accepted, 402.

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Essex Institute, Petition for legislation to authorize the, to hold additional real and personal estate, 433, 459; bill reported, 570, 582, 598; enacted, 664.

Essex, town of, Petition for legislation to provide for the protection of small game in the, 132; bill reported, 486, 504, 574, 713, 726; enacted, 736.

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Petition for legislation to authorize the, to incur indebtedness for the purpose of completing its system of sewerage, 93; bill reported, 138, 156, 177; enacted, 249.

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Evidence in actions. (See "Deceased Persons;" "Divorce;" "Employers' Liability.")

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- Fairhaven, town of**, relocating and widening the old bridge between the city of New Bedford and the. (See "Acushnet River.")
- Fairs** (see "Races and Fairs"), prizes for live stock at agricultural. (See "Agriculture, Massachusetts State Board of.")
- Fall River, Board of Police for the City of**, Annual report of the, 39; report (no legislation necessary), 176; accepted, 198.
- FALL RIVER, CITY OF:** (See "Bristol, County of;" "Taunton Great River;" "Textile Schools.")
- Petition for legislation to revise the charter of the, 145; bill reported, 829, 844, 878, 928, 939; enacted, 962.
- Petition for legislation to establish a textile school in the, 184; Bill (reported) to authorize the, to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for a textile school, 557, 573, 582; enacted, 782.
- Fares.** (See "Boston, City of" — *Railroads*; "Railroad Commissioners, Board of;" "Street Railway Companies.")
- Federal Relations, committee on**, appointed, 23; granted until March 29 to report on certain matters, 552; until April 5, 612; until April 12, 672; until April 19, 722; until May 3, 791; until May 10, 883.
- Federal Trust Company**, Petition for legislation to incorporate the, 111; bill reported, 197, 214, 226; enacted, 272.
- FEEBLE-MINDED, MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL FOR THE:** (See "Lyman and Industrial Schools.")
- Fifty-first annual report of the trustees of the, 31; report (S. no legislation necessary), 394; accepted, 415.
- Petition for legislation to provide for the purchase of additional land for the, 150; resolve (S.) reported, 458, 477, 493, 505; passed, 531.
- Petition for legislation to authorize the trustees of the, to exchange a parcel of land for another of equal value, 305, 341; bill (S.) reported, 723, 747, 755, 771; enacted, 806.
- Fees.** (See "Bastardy Cases;" "Cities;" "Elections;" "Lunch Wagons;" "Milk;" "Stenographers;" "Supreme Judicial Court.")
- Felt, Charles W.**, Petition for legislation to provide for compensating, for damages caused by the construction of the metropolitan water system, 149; report (S. leave to withdraw), 827; accepted, 843.
- Fermented liquors, tax on.** (See "Taxation.")
- Fines and costs.** (See "Convicts.")
- Fire** (see "Railroad Companies;" "Trees"), Bill (on leave) to provide for the better protection of human life in case of, or panic, 585, 632; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 850.
- Fire-escapes.** (See "State Fire Marshal.")
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Firemen (see "Engineers"), Petition (S.) for legislation to extend the law relative to the payment of an allowance to families of, killed or fatally injured in the discharge of their duties, 66; Bill (S. reported) to provide for the payment of an allowance to families of certain persons not, but who are killed or fatally injured while doing fire duty, 992, 1010, 1024, 1035; enacted, 1037.

Firemen's relief associations. (See "Fraternal Beneficiary Organizations.")

First Baptist Meeting House of Dorchester. (See "Dorchester, First Baptist Meeting House of, situated in Neponset Village.")

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First Parish of Westwood. (See "Dedham, Third Parish of.")

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FISH AND GAME: (See "Inland Fisheries and Game, Commissioners on.")

So much of the annual report of the Chief of the Massachusetts District Police as relates to the enforcement of the laws relating to, 30; report (no legislation necessary), 248; accepted, 258.

Petition for legislation to authorize the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game to occupy and control Mill Pond in the town of Yarmouth for the purpose of cultivating food fish, 104; Bill (reported) to provide for the cultivation of food fish, 248, 259, 268; enacted, 307.

Petition (S.) for legislation for the protection of certain birds, 106; report (S. leave to withdraw), 406; accepted, 426.

Petition for legislation to make uniform the time within which the taking of certain birds and game is prohibited, 121; report (leave to withdraw), 485; accepted, 502.

Bill (on leave) to provide that the close season for duck shooting shall commence on the first day of March, 129; remonstrances, 483; new draft reported, 487, 504; new draft substituted, 515; notice of rejection by the Senate, 701.

Petition (S.) for legislation extending the open season for shooting shelldrakes, 137; report (S. leave to withdraw), 539; accepted, 562.

Bill (on leave) relative to the taking of clams, 142; remonstrances against any legislation giving to selectmen the right to lease any shore, flats or bars for the purpose of taking, 295; reported, 411; rejected, 427.

Petition for legislation relative to the preservation of birds and game, 147; report (leave to withdraw), 485; accepted, 502.

Bill (on leave) relative to the preservation of quail, 163; reported, 486; rejected, 513.

Bill (on leave) relative to the protection of pickerel, 179; reported, 411; rejected, 427.

Petition for legislation relative to the prevention of the maintenance or operation of menhaden purse seines in the waters of the Commonwealth, 185; remonstrance, 305; report (leave to withdraw), 485, 564; accepted, 575, 581, 634.

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Petition for legislation relative to the prevention of the maintenance or operation of mackerel purse seines in the waters of the Commonwealth, 185; remonstrance, 305; report (leave to withdraw), 485; accepted, 502.

Bill (ordered printed) to provide for the better protection of lobsters and the more ready enforcement of the law relative thereto, 303.

Remonstrances against the passage of any legislation to restrict the use of fish weirs in the waters of the Commonwealth, 338.

Bill (reported on the annual report of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game) relative to fines and forfeitures under the laws protecting, 413, 645, 665, 679; enacted, 933.

Protection of alewife fishing in Monument or Herring River. (See "Bourne, Town of.")

Taking of butter-fish by nets or weirs. (See "Buzzard's Bay.")

Protection of small game. (See "Essex, Town of.")

Use of seines, nets and other devices near the island of Nantucket. (See "Nantucket, County of.")

Taking of eels and clams in the city of Newburyport and the town of Salisbury. (See "Merrimac River.")

Protection of, and close season for game and game birds. (See "Lord's Day.")

Protection of the growth and cultivation of clams. (See "Swansea, Town of.")

Fisheries and Game, committee on, appointed, 23; authorized to travel within the Commonwealth, 59; membership changed, 76; granted until March 29 to report on certain matters, 552.

Fishways. (See "Inland Fisheries and Game, Commissioners on.")

Fitchburg and Leominster Street Railway Company, Petition for legislation to authorize the, to act as a common carrier of freight and the United States mail, 207, 246; report (reference to the next General Court), 633; accepted, 664.

FITCHBURG AND SUBURBAN STREET RAILWAY COMPANY:

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to extend its tracks, operate freight cars and act as a common carrier, 135, 246; report (reference to the next General Court), 633, 689; recommitted, 805; report (reference to the next General Court), 884, 902; Bill (substituted) relative to the, 911, 975, 987; enacted, 1036.

Bill (ordered printed), relative to the, 681.

FITCHBURG, CITY OF:

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to borrow money and to issue notes or scrip for the purpose of erecting hospital buildings and grading grounds about the same, 98; bill (S.) reported, 744, 755, 771; enacted, 795.

FITCHBURG, CITY OF — *Concluded.*

Petition for legislation to amend the charter of the, relative to the management and control of the public streets and highways within its limits, 131 ; Bill (S. reported) relative to the election of street commissioners in the, 340, 357, 369 ; enacted, 387.

Fitchburg, police court of, Petition for legislation to increase the salaries of the justice and clerk of the, 33 ; report (leave to withdraw), 436, 452 ; bill substituted, 515, 605, 638, 648 ; enacted, 814.

FITCHBURG RAILROAD COMPANY :

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Order instructing the, to inquire whether the Commonwealth might not, to the advantage of the industrial classes, assume the business of prudential and industrial life insurance conducted upon the assessment or level premium plan, 915; rejected, 926.

Bill (S. on leave) relative to statements required to be made to the, by insurance corporations doing business on the assessment plan, 1031, 1059; reported, 1081, 1086, 1089; enacted, 1109.

Insurance, committee on, appointed, 23; authorized to travel within the Commonwealth, 507; granted until April 5 to report on certain matters, 566; until April 19, 672.

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- Bill (on leave) relative to the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of, 110; reported, 477, 513; rejected, 584; reconsidered (yea and nay), 591; enacted, 664.
- Bill (on leave) relative to the rights of owners of real estate in the matter of granting liquor licenses, 120; reported, 510; rejected, 545.
- Petition for legislation relative to the transportation of, into no-license cities and towns, 122; report (leave to withdraw), 297; accepted, 308.
- Bill (on leave) relative to the sale of, on election days and holidays, 163; reported, 499; rejected, 532.
- So much of the seventh annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth as relates to liquor licenses, 178; report (no legislation necessary), 297; accepted, 308.
- Bill (on leave) to repeal the laws limiting the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of, 180; reported, 460; rejected, 480.
- Petition for legislation relative to the granting of licenses for the sale of, in towns containing two or more villages, 186; report (leave to withdraw), 398; accepted, 414.
- Petition for legislation to regulate the sale of, on election days and certain holidays, 186; report (leave to withdraw), 460; accepted, 479.
- Bill (S. from the files) relative to the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of, 192; notice of rejection by the Senate, 588.
- Bill (on leave) relative to objections of owners of real estate in the matter of the granting of liquor licenses, 201; reported, 460; rejected, 503.
- Bill (on leave) to prohibit the setting up of stock tickers in premises licensed for the sale of, 201; reported, 399; rejected, 427.
- Petition for legislation to prevent the indiscriminate granting of licenses for the sale of, in the immediate vicinity of railroad stations, 204; report (leave to withdraw), 436; accepted, 453.
- Petition (S.) for legislation to control the sale of alcoholic liquors and of poisons, to punish criminal abortion and to provide that illegitimate children shall be wards of the state, and to provide that a certain location of each city shall be set apart for the occupancy of prostitutes, 220; report (leave to withdraw), 373; accepted, 388.
- Bill (on leave) relative to the number of places which may be licensed for the sale of, 859, 873; reported, 885, 893, 901; enacted, 899.

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Key registering companies, Petition for legislation to exempt, from the operation of the insurance laws, 208, 246; report (leave to withdraw), 459; accepted, 479.

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Knollwood Cemetery, Petition for legislation to authorize the water commissioners of the town of Canton to supply, with water and to construct works necessary therefor, 859, 873; bill reported, 1034, 1050; enacted, 1071.

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(For measures relative to the labor of convicts and prisoners see "Cape Cod;" "Prisoners.")

So much of the annual report of the Chief of the Massachusetts District Police as relates to the employment of, 30; report (no legislation necessary), 499; accepted, 544.

Bill (on leave) relative to the employment of women and minors in mercantile establishments, 39; reported, 511, 533, 546; notice of rejection by the Senate, 654.

Bill (on leave) to constitute eight hours a day's work for city and town employees, 44; new draft reported, 557, 609, 624, 872; enacted, 886.

Bill (on leave) to provide for a uniform rate of wages and hours of, for mechanics and laborers on public works, 50; reported, 558, 624; new draft substituted, 709; notice of rejection by the Senate, 850.

Bill (on leave) relative to the hours of, of women and minors, 58; reported, 604, 678, 728, 982; rejected, 1013.

Petition (from the files) for legislation to limit the hours of, of women and minors to fifty-four hours a week in mercantile and mechanical establishments, 61; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 631; accepted, 647.

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Bill (on leave) relative to the hours of, of women and minors, 81; reported, 617, 664; rejection negatived (yea and nay), 706, 785, 819; notice of rejection by the Senate, 970.

Bill (on leave) to prohibit the employment of women and minors in manufacturing establishments between the hours of six o'clock at night and six o'clock in the morning, 81; reported, 580; rejected, 647.

Bill (on leave) relative to deposits and loans by employees, 87; reported, 213, 226; rejected, 250.

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- Bill (on leave) to abolish the contract system on public works, 120; reported, 604; recommitted, 620; reported, 702, 737, 840; rejection negatived, 901; rejected, 967.
- Bill (on leave) to regulate the privileges of persons demanding interviews with employees, 129; reported, 542, 628, 642, 948; rejected, 976.
- Bill (on leave) to allow, organizations and trades unions to pay sick and death benefits, 142; reported, 781, 795; rejected, 1035.
- Bill (on leave) to extend the application of the law relative to the weekly payment of wages, 143; new draft reported, 500, 533, 563; enacted, 664.
- Petition for legislation relative to the settlement of disputes between employers and employees, 148; report (leave to withdraw), 603; recommitted, 636; report (leave to withdraw), 929; accepted, 974.
- Bill (on leave) to prevent coercion of employees, 163; reported, 527, 608, 625, 713, 783, 808; committee of conference, 895, 927; report (unable to agree) accepted, 961.
- Petition for legislation to prevent the defrauding of wage earners by unscrupulous employers, 169; report (reference to the next General Court), 526; accepted, 544.
- Petition for legislation to provide a weekly rest day for employees of transportation companies, 170; petitions in aid, 393, 406, 419, 432, 435, 448, 457, 469, 471, 483, 497, 507, 508, 522, 539, 541, 566, 578, 586, 600, 693, 779, 791, 810. [Bill reported in the Senate and rejected.]
- Petition for legislation relative to the awarding of contracts for work or materials by the officials of counties, cities and towns, 204; report (leave to withdraw), 541; accepted, 561.
- Petition (S.) for legislation to prohibit the employment of children under eighteen years of age and of women in places where intoxicating liquors are sold or prepared for sale, 210; report (S. leave to withdraw), 653, 716, 805; Bill (substituted) to promote temperance among minors and females, 855, 865, 908, 938; Bill (title changed) relative to the employment of minors, 977; enacted, 1037.
- Petition (S.) for legislation to provide Saturday half-holidays for state, city, town and county employees, 212, 523; report (leave to withdraw), 686; accepted, 697.
- Petition for legislation to authorize, organizations to patrol in vicinities in which there exists any strike, lockout or suspension of work, 236, 271; report (leave to withdraw), 589; accepted, 699.
- Bill (on leave) to regulate the employment of, 349, 397; reported, 619; rejected, 709.

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Labor, Bureau of Statistics of, Bill (on leave) relative to expenditures for the clerical and contingent expenses of the, 32; new draft reported, 256, 267, 273; enacted, 333.

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Lawrence Home for Aged People, Petition for legislation to authorize the trustees under the will of James M. Wood to convey an estate to the, 150; bill reported, 500, 514, 534; enacted, 620.

Lawrence, police court of, Petition for legislation to change the name of the, and to enlarge its jurisdiction, 134, 193; report (leave to withdraw), 555; accepted, 608.

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Lexington, town of, Petition for legislation relative to the sewerage system of the, 894, 928; report (reference to the next General Court), 1033; bill substituted, 1049, 1053; enacted, 1082.

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Lincoln, town of, Petition (S.) for legislation to include the, in the judicial district of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex, 221; report (leave to withdraw), 526; accepted, 544.

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Little, Brown and Company, Resolve (on leave) to provide for the renewal of an existing contract with the firm of, 201; reported, 559, 618, 648, 658; passed, 736.

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Bill (on leave) relative to small, and the redemption of the security therefor, 163; reported, 604; referred to the next General Court, 623.

Petition (S.) for legislation to amend the law relative to small, and the redemption of the security therefor, 195; report (S. leave to withdraw), 586; accepted, 622.

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Lowell, French Protestant Church of, Petition (S. from the files) for legislation to incorporate the trustees of the, 76; bill (S.) reported, 191, 214, 226; enacted, 240.

Lowell, police court of, Petition for legislation to establish the salary of the assistant clerk of the, 151; bill reported, 439, 500, 514, 546; enacted, 636.

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Lowell Textile School, Petition for legislation to authorize an appropriation for the maintenance of the, 93; Resolve (reported) in favor of the, 501, 618; recommitted, 636; new draft reported, 655, 666, 679, 792; passed, 795.

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Bill (S. reported) to authorize transfers from the Lyman School for Boys and from the State Industrial School for Girls to the Hospital Cottages for Children or the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded, 283, 413, 428, 443; enacted, 463.

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Petition for legislation to authorize the, to receive a certain legacy, 112; report (leave to withdraw), 364; accepted, 376.

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Bill (on leave) to secure the referendum for the, in relation to the metropolitan park system, 201; reported, 570; rejected, 638.

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Mack, Thomas W., Petition (from the files) for legislation to compensate, for injuries to a horse owned by him while said horse was in the custody of officers of the Commonwealth, 100; resolve reported, 332, 438, 454, 466; passed, 933.

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Martha's Vineyard Street Railway Company, Petition for legislation to extend the time within which the, shall locate and operate its railway, 208; referred to the next General Court, 342.

MASSACHUSETTS AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE: (See "Agriculture, Massachusetts State Board of.")

Resolve (on leave) in favor of the, 81; reported, 292; new draft reported, 695, 727, 738; passed, 842.

Thirty-sixth annual report of the trustees of the, 611; report (S. no further legislation necessary) accepted, 1020.

Eleventh annual report of the Hatch Experiment Station of the, 801; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 1022.

MASSACHUSETTS CHARITABLE EYE AND EAR INFIRMARY:

Petition for legislation to authorize an appropriation for the, from the treasury of the Commonwealth, 134; resolve reported, 439, 476, 493, 563; passed, 677.

Communication from the managers of the, inviting the members of the Senate and House of Representatives to attend the formal opening of the new hospital building of said institution, 408.

MASSACHUSETTS DISTRICT POLICE:

Annual report of the Chief of the. (See "Engineers;" "Fish and Game;" "Intoxicating Liquors;" "Labor;" "Ventilation.")

MASSACHUSETTS DISTRICT POLICE — *Concluded.*

Bill (on leave) to abolish the office of State Fire Marshal and to transfer the powers and duties of said office to the Chief of the, 181; reported, 450; rejected, 465.

Petition (S.) for legislation to increase the salary of the second clerk in the office of the Chief of the, 283, 318; report (leave to withdraw), 385, 404; accepted, 415.

Order instructing the Chief of the, to investigate into the employment of women and minors in the manufactories of straw and palm leaf work of the state, 926; adopted, 936; notice of rejection by the Senate, 1097.

Massachusetts Electric Freight Company, Petition for legislation to incorporate the, 33; report (leave to withdraw), 473; accepted, 491.

MASSACHUSETTS HIGHWAY COMMISSION:

Petition for legislation to abolish the, and to transfer its duties to the county commissioners and a state engineer, 105; report (leave to withdraw), 603, 621; accepted, 691.

Petition for legislation relative to the apportionment of money expended by the, 105; report (leave to withdraw), 603, 621; accepted, 691.

Petition (S.) for legislation to provide for the construction of a state highway between the cities of Boston and Lynn, 271, 397; report (S. reference to the next General Court) accepted, 1051.

Sixth annual report of the, 361:

Resolve (reported) to provide for additional copies of the annual report of the, 676, 724, 738, 756, 837, 853; passed, 876.

(For a bill reported see "State Highways.")

Report (no further legislation necessary), 674; accepted, 690.

Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients. (See "Consumptives and Tubercular Patients, Massachusetts Hospital for.")

Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates. (See "Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates, Massachusetts Hospital for.")

Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics. (See "Epileptics, Massachusetts Hospital for.")

"Massachusetts in the Army and Navy" (see "Massachusetts Military and Naval History"), Resolve (on leave) to provide for distribution of copies of the book entitled, 611; referred to the next General Court, 1060.

MASSACHUSETTS MARITIME CANAL COMPANY:

Petition for legislation relative to the (referred to the next General Court), 190.

Petition for legislation to revive the charter of the, and to extend the time within which said company is required to comply with certain provisions of the same, 243, 255; report (reference to the next General Court), 850; accepted, 865, 875, 1072.

Massachusetts Military and Naval History, Resolve (reported on so much of the annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth as relates to state printing) to provide for the distribution of copies of the book entitled "Massachusetts in the Army and Navy," 656; **Resolve** (new draft reported) relative to the distribution of the, 695, 755, 785; passed, 853.

MASSACHUSETTS NAUTICAL TRAINING SCHOOL:

Annual report of the commissioners of the, 30; report (no legislation necessary), 616; accepted, 637.

Bill (on leave) to establish a nautical training school, 180; reported, 527; rejected, 545.

Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas Company, Petition for legislation to provide that any board having authority to grant locations to the, in the streets of a city or town may impose reasonable conditions for the protection of the interests of such city or town, 168; report (leave to withdraw), 319; accepted, 334.

MASSACHUSETTS REFORMATORY:

Fourteenth annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the, 30; **Resolve** (reported) to provide for a new hospital, laundry and bath house building at the, 559, 702; referred to the next General Court, 738, 747, 897.

Resolve (S. reported on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons) to provide for repairs at the, 613, 645, 657, 666; passed, 689.

Resolve (S. reported on the annual report of the General Superintendent of Prisons) relative to the industries at the, 613, 645, 657, 667; passed, 688.

Resolve (S. on leave) relative to a supply of water for the, 673, 745; reported, 802; passed, 852.

Age of subordinate officers at the. (See "Prisons, Commissioners of.")

Massachusetts School for the Blind. (See "Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind.")

Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded. (See "Feeble-minded, Massachusetts School for the.")

Massachusetts Ship Canal Company. (See "Cape Cod.")

MASSACHUSETTS STATE PRISON:

Annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the, 30. [Not reported on.]

Bill (reported on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons) relative to the appointment of assistant watchmen at the, 343; recommitted, 435; reported, 500, 514, 535, 614, 638; enacted, 664.

Age of subordinate officers at the. (See "Prisons, Commissioners of.")

Massachusetts troops. (See "Soldiers and Sailors.")

Massachusetts Volunteer Aid Association, Resolution relative to the, 200; reported, 384; adopted, 403.

Massachusetts Volunteer Militia. (See "Militia.")

McCarthy, Jeremiah J., Resignation of, of Boston, member of the House from the Fourth Suffolk Representative District, 1114.

McClellan, Arthur D., Petition (S.) for legislation to confirm the acts of, as a justice of the peace, 602, 615; resolve (S.) reported, 713, 727, 797; passed, 814.

McDonald, Martin F., widow of. (See "Boston, City of" — *Employees.*)

McGrath, Delia and John. (See "Boston, City of" — *Employees.*)

McNeil, George E., Resolve (on leave) in favor of, 110; new draft reported, 413, 422, 442, 505; passed, 1011.

Mechanical corporations. (See "Corporations.")

Mechanical establishments, employment of women and minors in. (See "Labor.")

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MEDFIELD INSANE ASYLUM:

Third annual report of the, 31:

Resolve (reported) to provide for a farm building at the, 307, 477, 493, 515; passed, 736.

Report (S. no further legislation necessary), 339; accepted, 356.

Bill (on leave) relative to an additional water supply for the, 104; new draft reported, 906, 937, 949, 973; enacted, 1037.

MEDFORD, CITY OF:

Reconstruction of the bridge between the city of Somerville and the. (See "Mystic River.")

Bill (on leave) relative to the appointment of assistant assessors in the, 700, 780; reported (S.), 849; enacted, 852.

Medical examiners, returns of. (See "Births, Marriages and Deaths.")

Medical experts as witnesses. (See "Superior Court.")

Medicine, Board of Registration in, Fifth annual report of the, 370; report (no legislation necessary), 473; accepted, 491.

Medway, town of, Petition for legislation to authorize the, to supply itself with water for fire and domestic purposes, 152, 245; bill reported, 412, 427, 442, 508; enacted, 581.

Melia, Edward, widow of. (See "Boston, City of" — *Employees.*)

Mellen, James H., named to the House for objectionable language and conduct in debate, 547; matter referred to a special committee, 547; report of special committee, 548; statement of Mr. Mellen apologizing and withdrawing objectionable language, 548, 549; apology accepted, 549.

Melrose, city of, Petition for legislation to incorporate the, 40, 95; bill reported, 278, 287, 323, 420, 439; enacted, 488.

MELROSE, TOWN OF:

Bill (on leave) to authorize the, to appropriate a sum of money for celebrating the 250th anniversary of the town of Malden, 468, 524; new draft reported, 663, 690, 698; enacted, 770.

Bill (on leave) to confirm and make valid the acts of the, at its annual meeting in the current year, 947, 971; new draft reported, 1034; enacted, 1063.

Memorial Hall. (See "State House.")

Menhaden purse seines. (See "Fish and Game.")

Mercantile Affairs, committee on, appointed, 24; instructed to investigate the question of the ownership and control by the Commonwealth of telegraph and telephone lines (see "Telegraph and Telephone Lines"); order (S.) authorizing the, to travel within the Commonwealth and to Providence, Rhode Island, 484, 602 (amended and rejected), 619 (reconsidered and adopted); granted until March 29 to report on certain matters, 552; until April 12, 612; until April 26, 733.

Mercantile establishments, employment of women and minors in. (See "Labor.")

Merchandise (see "Taxation"), Petition for legislation to provide for informing the public of the nature and ingredients of manufactured goods sold or offered for sale in this Commonwealth, 204; report (leave to withdraw), 398; accepted, 415.

Merrimack River, Proprietors of the Locks and Canals on. (See "Lowell, City of.")

MERRIMAC RIVER:

Petition (from the files) for the construction of a bridge across the, 65, 96; report (leave to withdraw), 248; amended (reference to the next General Court) and accepted, 258.

Petition for legislation relative to the taking of eels and clams from the, in the town of Salisbury and the city of Newburyport, 105; bill reported, 412, 446; rejected, 481; reconsidered, 487, 575; notice of rejection by the Senate, 654.

Repair and maintenance of certain bridges over the. (See "Amesbury, Town of.")

Metropolitan Affairs and Drainage, committees on (sitting jointly), granted until March 29 to report on certain matters, 552; until April 5, 612.

Metropolitan Affairs and Election Laws, committees on (sitting jointly), granted until March 29 to report on certain matters, 552.

Metropolitan Affairs and Roads and Bridges, committees on (sitting jointly), granted until March 29 to report on certain matters, 553; until April 5, 612; until April 12, 672.

Metropolitan Affairs and Water Supply, committees on (sitting jointly), granted until March 29 to report on certain matters, 553; until April 5, 612; until April 12, 672; until April 26, 722; until May 3, 836; until May 10, 884.

Metropolitan Affairs, committee on, appointed, 24; authorized to travel within the Commonwealth, 220; granted until March 29 to report on certain matters, 552; until April 5, 612; until April 12, 672; until April 26, 722; until May 3, 836.

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT: (See "Boston Transit Commission.")

Bill (on leave) relative to blasting within the, 104, 291; reported, 499; rejected, 532; reconsidered and referred to the next General Court, 543.

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT — *Concluded.*

Ice at cost for the inhabitants of the. (See "Metropolitan Water Board.")

Metropolitan District Commission, Report (from the files) of the, 153; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 734; accepted, 754.

METROPOLITAN PARK COMMISSIONERS, BOARD OF: (See "Butterfield, Helen L.;" "Slater, Fred R.;" "Winthrop, Town of.")

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to take land in the town of Winthrop for a reservation and roadway, 88; petition for legislation to enable the, to acquire certain land in the city of Lynn for a shore walk or drive, 122; petition for legislation to authorize the construction of a parkway in the town of Revere and the cities of Chelsea and Everett, 133; petitions for legislation to enable the, to extend the Mystic Valley parkway or to provide a parkway or boulevard from Mystic River to and around Spy Pond in Arlington, 168, 316; petition for legislation to authorize and require the, to take land and construct parkways from Squantum Head in the city of Quincy to the city of Boston and the Blue Hills reservation, 169; sixth annual report of the, 315; bills reported:

To increase the amount of money to be placed at the disposal of the, for the construction of roadways and boulevards, 725, 962, 975, 987; enacted, 1063.

To increase the amount of money to be placed at the disposal of the, for general purposes, 725, 962, 975, 987; enacted, 1044.

Petition for legislation to provide for the restoration of the bath house and for other necessary expenses at the Revere Beach reservation, 88; reported, 213, 332, 347, 357; enacted, 423.

Petition for legislation to define the rights and duties of the, from and after the first day of January in the year 1900, 133; Bill (reported) relative to the, 769, 884, 902, 908, 949; enacted, 1044.

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to connect the town of Dedham with the metropolitan park system by the building of a boulevard or roadway, 149; Bill (reported) relative to the construction of a boulevard from the town of Dedham to the Stony Brook reservation in the town of Hyde Park, 591, 609, 679, 687; new draft substituted, 728; new draft reported, 897, 908, 976; enacted, 1037.

Petition for legislation to authorize the taking and developing of a portion of Nantasket Beach as a public reservation, 168; petitions in aid, 304, 328, 340, 371, 383, 393, 435, 448, 554, 566, 586, 599, 630, 660, 662, 682, 684, 712, 721, 743, 766, 779, 791, 792, 801, 828, 848, 860, 915, 928; Bill (reported) to authorize the, to take, control and manage Nantasket Beach and adjacent lands and waters, 804; new draft reported, 1010, 1026, 1035, 1060, 1066, 1067; enacted, 1103.

Petition for legislation to enable the, to grant locations for street railways within the boulevards and reservations under its control, 168; Bill (reported) to authorize the, to grant locations to street

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railway companies, 570, 577 (opinion of the Attorney-General requested, see "Attorney-General"), 581, 988, 999; rejected, 1018.

Petition for legislation to provide compensation for the, 188; bill reported, 501; new draft reported, 735, 798, 834, 928; committee of conference, 960, 992; report accepted, 1009; bill enacted, 1037.

Bill (on leave) to authorize the, to make provision for musical entertainments in the reservations under their charge, 201; petitions in aid, 457; reported, 590; referred to the next General Court, 647.

Bill (on leave) relative to a boulevard from the Middlesex Fells parkway near the Mystic River to the Charles River, 201; new draft reported, 591, 609, 639; enacted, 704.

METROPOLITAN PARK SYSTEM:

Bill (on leave) relative to the apportionment of the cost of the metropolitan parks and boulevards, 180; reported, 589; rejected, 638.

Referendum for the city of Lynn relative to remaining in the. (See "Lynn, City of.")

METROPOLITAN SEWERAGE COMMISSIONERS, BOARD OF:

Tenth annual report of the, 91:

Bill (reported) relative to the expenses incurred under the act to provide for a system of sewage disposal for the Neponset River valley, 413, 476, 498, 546; enacted, 668.

Report (S. no further legislation necessary), 434; accepted, 454.

Report of the, upon a high-level gravity sewer for the relief of the Charles and Neponset River valleys, 349:

Bill (reported) to provide for the construction of a high-level gravity sewer for the relief of the Charles and Neponset River valleys, 676, 714, 788, 809, 853, 984, 1003, 1013; enacted, 1063.

(For a resolve reported see "Health, State Board of.")

Report (no further legislation necessary), 674; accepted, 697.

Resolve (S. on leave) to provide for printing the report of the, on a high-level system of sewerage, 373, 397; reported (S.), 673, 695, 705, 718; passed, 736.

Metropolitan sewerage loans sinking fund, Bill (reported on the abstract of the report of the Auditor of Accounts) relative to the, 256, 268, 273; enacted, 354.

Metropolitan sewerage system, high-level sewer connecting the city of Worcester with the. (See "Worcester, City of.")

METROPOLITAN WATER BOARD:

Order authorizing the, to investigate and report as to the practicability and advisability of establishing ice plants and taking ice from the reservoirs and ponds of the metropolitan water system in order to furnish ice at cost to the inhabitants of the metropolitan district, 128; rejected, 141.

Fourth annual report of the, 370.

METROPOLITAN WATER BOARD — *Concluded.*

Petition (S.) for legislation to extend the time within which owners of real estate may commence suits for damages in accordance with the provisions of chapter 488 of the acts of the year 1895, 498, 525; Bill (S. reported) to extend the time within which petitions may be filed for damages sustained by the taking of real estate for the metropolitan water works, 849, 866, 879; enacted, 886.

Bill (S. reported on the annual report of the Attorney-General) relative to certain suits for damages for property taken by the, 722, 738, 785; enacted, 806.

Orders, rules and regulations of the. (See "Attorney-General.")

Certain powers and duties of the. (See "Clinton, Town of.")

METROPOLITAN WATER SYSTEM: (See "Felt, Charles W.")

Bill (on leave) to permit boating and fishing on the ponds and reservoirs of the, 64; petition in aid, 93; reported, 812, 842, 880, 981; referred to the next General Court, 1023.

Bill (S. from files) relative to supplying certain cities and towns with water from the, 172; new draft (S.) reported, 837, 866, 879; enacted, 899.

Compensation to certain towns for damages caused by the construction of the. (See "Northborough, Town of;" "Princeton, Town of.")

Middleborough, town of, Petition for legislation to authorize the, to construct a system of sewerage and to provide for the payment of the cost thereof, 203; report (reference to the next General Court), 526; accepted, 544.

Middlefield, town of, Petition for legislation to make valid the acts of the recent annual meeting of the, 712, 745; Bill (reported) to confirm the acts of certain towns at their annual meetings in the year 1899, 794, 807, 831; recommitted (S.), 896; Bill (S. reported) to legalize and confirm certain proceedings of the, 1021; enacted, 1037.

MIDDLESEX, COUNTY OF: (See "Brigham, William H.")

Petition for legislation to provide for additional lands and buildings for the truant school of the, at Chelmsford, 32; bill reported, 306, 322, 335, 497, 533; enacted, 581.

Petition (S.) for legislation to authorize the completion of the hospital building at the house of correction at Cambridge in the, 40; bill (S.) reported, 113, 126, 140; enacted, 176.

Petition for legislation to authorize the county commissioners of, to establish and lay out a highway connection between Riverside road in Weston and Charles street in the city of Newton, 45; bill reported, 284, 301, 333, 357, 369; enacted, 463.

Petition (from the files) for legislation to increase the salary of the clerk of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex, 100; report (leave to withdraw), 436, 452; bill substituted, 516; new draft reported, 570, 609, 624; enacted, 782.

MIDDLESEX, COUNTY OF — *Concluded.*

Petition for legislation to establish the salary of the justice of the First District Court of Eastern Middlesex, 135; report (leave to withdraw), 385; accepted, 402.

Petition (S.) for legislation to provide for the appointment of a permanent court officer for the probate court for the, 194; bill reported, 617, 639, 710, 863, 877; enacted, 1010.

Jurisdiction of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex. (See "Lincoln, Town of.")

County tax for the. (See "County Receipts and Expenditures.")

Middlesex Fells parkway, boulevard from the, to the Charles River. (See "Metropolitan Park Commissioners, Board of.")

Middleton, town of (see "Danvers Lunatic Hospital"), Petition for legislation to authorize the, to aid in the construction of a street railway, 135; bill reported, 386, 403; new draft substituted, 429; enacted, 530.

Miles, Major-General Nelson A., recess of the House in honor of, 544.

Military Affairs, committee on, appointed, 24; authorized to travel within the Commonwealth, 97; granted until March 29 to report on certain matters, 537; until April 12, 599; until April 18, 711; until April 26, 765; until May 3, 837; until May 10, 894; until May 17, 960; report (S.) of the, upon the condition of the state camp ground, storehouse and arsenal (accepted), 1111.

Military aid. (See "Soldiers and Sailors.")

MILITIA: (See "Framingham, Town of;" "Harrison, Christopher;" "Ward, Major Winsor M.")

Petition for legislation relative to a highway and sidewalk over land of the Commonwealth at the state muster field at Framingham, 135, 194; bill reported, 715, 735; referred to the next General Court, 798, 805; reconsidered and recommitted, 862; reported, 980; referred to the next General Court, 995.

Resolve (on leave) to provide a suitable drill shed for the mounted arms of the Massachusetts volunteer, 143; reported, 474; recommitted, 489; referred to the next General Court, 1103.

Bill (on leave) relative to the Massachusetts volunteer, 143; reported, 474; rejected, 492.

Petition for legislation relative to the, 169; report (leave to withdraw), 509; accepted, 532.

Bill (on leave) relative to the placing of officers upon the retired list, 180; reported, 451, 465; recommitted, 547; reported, 715, 728; enacted, 782.

Bill (on leave) relative to the compensation of janitors of armories, 180; reported, 331; rejected, 347.

Petition (S.) for legislation to provide that former officers of the, who joined provisional companies may be eligible for election to the offices previously held by them, 211; report (leave to withdraw), 473; accepted, 491.

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Petition (S.) for legislation to restore to the Commander-in-Chief certain authority relative to the organization of the volunteer, 211;
 Bill (S. reported) relative to examining boards for officers of the volunteer, 927, 939, 964; enacted, 973.

Report (S.) of the committee on Military Affairs upon the condition of the state camp ground, storehouse and arsenal (accepted), 1111.

MILK: (See "Cattle Commissioners, State Board of.")

Bill (on leave) relative to the inspection and sale of, 109; reported, 486; rejected, 503.

Bill (on leave) relative to the inspection of, 119; reported, 487, 503, 515; Bill (enacted) relative to the standard quality of, 606.

Petition for legislation to provide for an investigation of the methods of supply and distribution of, 170; resolve (S.) reported, 435, 510; rejected, 532.

Bill (S. on leave) relative to the inspection of, 173; new draft (S.) reported, 394, 416, 440, 466; enacted, 489.

Petition for legislation relative to the license fees of, peddlers, 182; report (reference to the next General Court), 484; accepted, 502.

Petition for legislation relative to the testing of, transported in railroad cars, 182; report (reference to the next General Court), 674; accepted, 689.

Petition for legislation relative to the licensing of, dealers, 182; report (leave to withdraw), 472; accepted, 490.

Petition for legislation to prohibit the importation of the, of cows which have not been properly inspected, 182; report (S. leave to withdraw), 539; accepted, 561.

Petition for legislation relative to the sale of, from sick or diseased cows, 202; report (S. leave to withdraw), 523; accepted, 545.

Millbury, Sutton and Douglas Railroad, Petition (S.) for legislation to extend the time for completing the, 837, 874, 936; bill (S.) reported, 1007, 1025; enacted, 1037.

Miller's River. (See "Somerville, City of.")

Milton, town of, Petition (S.) for legislation to ratify and confirm the laying out, widening and altering of certain streets in the, 498, 525; bill (S.) reported, 713, 727, 756; enacted, 782.

MINORS: (See "Children;" "Parents;" "Probate Courts.")

Bill (on leave) relative to marriages of, 202; reported, 422, 454, 466; enacted, 560.

Employment of. (See "Labor;" "Massachusetts District Police.")

Mitchell's Falls Canal and Power Company, Petition (from the files) for legislation to incorporate the, 153; referred to the next General Court, 277.

Monument River alewife fishery. (See "Bourne, Town of.")

- Monuments (see "Butler, Major-General Benjamin F.;" "Towns"), Petition (S.) for legislation to authorize cities and towns to permit the erection within the limits of public highways of, to mark historic spots, 154; Bill (S. reported) to provide for the protection of historical, 849, 866, 879; enacted, 907.
- Mortgage loan companies. (See "Savings Banks, Board of Commissioners of")
- MORTGAGES: (See "Corporations;" "Guardians;" "Personal Property.")
- Bill (S. on leave) relative to the foreclosure of, 153; new draft (S.) reported, 1031; rejected, 1050.
- Bill (S. on leave) to regulate sales under powers of sale in, 193; notice of rejection by the Senate, 655.
- Petition for legislation to provide for the filing of notices of the intended foreclosure of certain, 290; referred to the next General Court, 341.
- Mount Auburn, Proprietors of the Cemetery of. (See "Cambridge, City of.")
- Municipal courts. (See "Boston, City of" — *Courts*.)
- Municipal elections. (See "Elections.")
- Municipalities. (See "Cities;" "Towns.")
- Municipal legislation, So much of the Governor's address as relates to. (See "Cities.")
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- Mutual assessment life insurance companies. (See "Insurance Companies.")
- MYSTIC RIVER: (See "Metropolitan Park Commissioners, Board of.")
- Rebuilding of Malden Bridge over the. (See "Boston, City of" — *Bridges*.)
- Petition for legislation to provide for the construction of a new bridge or for the remodelling of the present bridge across the, between the city of Somerville and that part of the city of Medford known as Wellington, 112, 136, 173; bill reported, 715, 768, 800; referred to the next General Court, 807, 813, 985; reconsidered and rejected (yeas and nays on amendments), 1013.
- Mystic Valley parkway, extension of the. (See "Metropolitan Park Commissioners, Board of.")

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- Nantasket Beach, taking of, for a public reservation. (See "Metropolitan Park Commissioners, Board of.")
- Nantucket, county of, Petition for legislation to prevent the use of seines, nets and other devices in the waters of the, 82; remonstrance, 218; report (leave to withdraw), 616, 637; Bill (substituted) for the protection of blue-fish and striped bass in the, 680, 750; rejected, 756, 769.

- Nantucket, town of, Petition for legislation to authorize the, to choose a chief of its fire department, 152; bill reported, 543, 563; Bill (new draft substituted) to establish a fire department in the town of, 690; enacted, 770.**
- Natick, town of, Petition for legislation to authorize the, to incur indebtedness for grade crossing purposes, 83; bill reported, 155, 177, 199; enacted, 258.**
- National administration. (See "United States.")**
- Nautical Training School. (See "Massachusetts Nautical Training School.")**
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- Needham and Boston Street Railway Company, Petition for legislation to authorize the, to operate its railway over private property, 34; bill (S.) reported, 136, 157, 177; enacted, 214.**
- Needham Cemetery Association, Petition for legislation to authorize the incorporation of a cemetery association in the town of Needham, 187; Bill (reported) to incorporate the, 400, 416, 428; enacted, 512.**
- Neglected children. (See "Children;" "Suffolk, County of.")**
- Negotiable instruments. (See "Sight Drafts.")**
- Neponset River valley. (See "Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners, Board of.")**
- Neponset Village. (See "Dorchester, First Baptist Meeting House of, situated in Neponset Village.")**
- Nets. (See "Buzzard's Bay;" "Nantucket, County of")**
- New Bedford, city of, relocating and widening the old bridge between the, and the town of Fairhaven. (See "Acushnet River.")**
- Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company, Petition for legislation to incorporate the purchasers of the franchise and property of the, under the name of the Citizens' Electric Street Railway Company, 662, 686; Bill (S. reported) to incorporate the purchasers of the franchise and property of the, 802, 813; enacted, 814.**
- NEWBURYPORT, CITY OF:**
- Petition for legislation relative to the board of aldermen of the, 98; bill reported, 222, 233, 241; enacted, 286.**
- Petition for legislation to authorize the election of an alderman-at-large in the, 98; report (leave to withdraw), 222, 232; accepted, 344.**
- Petition for legislation relative to the powers and duties of the water commission of the, 99; report (leave to withdraw), 319, 333, 677; Bill (substituted) to transfer the duties of the water commission of the, to the city council of said city, 719, 785, 796, 819; notice of rejection by the Senate, 970.**
- Petition for legislation relative to the election of assessors in the, 182; report (leave to withdraw), 472; accepted, 490.**

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Petition for legislation to establish a water board for the, in place of the present water commissioners, 339, 459; referred to the next General Court, 518; reconsidered and referred to the next General Court (yea and nay), 528.

Taking of eels and clams in the. (See "Merrimac River.")

New England Industrial School for Deaf Mutes. (See "Deaf Mutes, New England Industrial School for.")

New Hampshire, State of, Report of the commissioners appointed to ascertain and establish the boundary line between this Commonwealth and the, 234, 423; bill reported, 861, 877, 886; enacted, 948.

Newspaper plants. (See "Taxation.")

NEWTON, CITY OF: (See "Boston, City of" — *Parks, parkways and playgrounds.*)

Petition for legislation relative to filling vacancies in the board of aldermen of the, 92; bill reported, 176, 198, 226; enacted, 272.

Petition for legislation relative to contracts between the, and the city of Boston for the disposal of surface water and sewage, 92; bill reported, 176, 199, 215; enacted, 266.

Petition for legislation relative to the location, laying out and construction of streets in the, 166; report (reference to the next General Court), 541; accepted, 561.

Assessments to cover the cost of making sewer connections in the. (See "Sewers.")

Construction of a highway in the. (See "Middlesex, County of.")

New York and Boston Canal Company, Petition for legislation to incorporate the, 190; report (leave to withdraw), 694; accepted, 705.

Ninth Hampden Representative District. (See "Campbell, Andrew.")

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Nonotuck Savings Bank, Petition for legislation to incorporate the, 58; bill (S.) reported, 172, 199, 215; enacted, 232.

Norfolk Central Street Railway Company, Petition for legislation to authorize the, to act as a common carrier of merchandise, 34; bill reported, 558, 624, 649; enacted, 704.

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Petition (S.) for legislation to authorize the county commissioners of the, to erect a separate building in the town of Dedham for the use of the registry of deeds and the registry of probate, 174; bill reported, 306, 322, 335; enacted, 530.

County tax for the. (See "County Receipts and Expenditures.")

Norfolk Western Street Railway Company, Petition for legislation to authorize the, to act as a common carrier of farm products, merchandise and the United States mail, 190; bill reported, 558, 624, 679; enacted, 736.

Normal Art School. (See "State Normal Art School.")

- Normal schools. (See "Boston, City of" — *Schools*; "State Normal Schools.")
- North Adams, city of, Petition for legislation to authorize the, to refund its indebtedness, 111; bill reported, 238, 249, 259; enacted, 292.
- North Adams, State Normal School at, Petition for legislation to provide for the purchase of additional land for the, 131; resolve reported, 501, 829, 844, 866; passed, 933.
- Northampton and Amherst Street Railway Company, Petition for legislation to authorize the, to construct a bridge over the Connecticut River between the city of Northampton and the town of Hadley, 152, 255; bill reported, 675, 690, 698; enacted, 770.
- NORTHAMPTON, CITY OF:**
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- Construction of a new bridge between the, and the town of Hadley. (See "Northampton and Amherst Street Railway Company.")
- Northampton, Hampshire Savings Bank of, Petition (S.) for legislation to relieve savings banks in the hands of receivers from certain taxes, 449, 686; Bill (S. reported) to relieve the receivers of the, from the payment of a certain tax, 734, 785, 797; enacted, 814.
- NORTHAMPTON LUNATIC HOSPITAL:**
- Forty-third annual report of the trustees of the, 31:
- Resolve (reported) to provide for the erection of a cold-storage building at the, 687, 724, 738, 755; passed, 842.
- Report (S. no further legislation necessary), 701; accepted, 717.
- Petition for legislation relative to barns, stables and other buildings at the, 671; referred to the next General Court, 838.
- North Andover, town of, Petition for legislation to authorize the, to issue additional water-loan bonds or notes, 112; bill reported, 238, 251; enacted, 266.
- Northborough, town of, Petition for legislation to provide for the payment of a sum of money to the, as a part of the expense of the construction of the metropolitan water system (referred to the next General Court), 1063.
- Northern Berkshire district court. (See "Berkshire, County of.")
- Northfield, town of, bridge over the Connecticut River in the. (See "Connecticut River.")
- North River, survey of the new harbor at the mouth of the. (See "Harbor and Land Commissioners, Board of.")
- Nurseries, Petition for legislation to provide for the inspection of, 51; petition for legislation making an appropriation for investigating the habits of insects injurious to the cranberry and other agricultural interests of the Commonwealth, 104; Bill (on leave) to provide for the inspection of, and to prevent the introduction or distribution of injurious insects, 142; Bill reported, 559, 794, 807, 835, 844; notice of rejection by the Senate, 1070.
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Old Colony Commission, Bill (on leave) to authorize the, to expend a further sum of money, 565, 633; referred to the next General Court, 648.

O'Neil, John, Petition for legislation to provide for compensating, for injuries received while in the employ of the Commonwealth, 152; resolve reported, 617, 639, 649; passed, 864.

Onset Fire District, Bill (on leave) relative to the, in the town of Wareham, 969, 971; Bill (S. reported) to confirm the proceedings of the, 1069; enacted, 1078.

Orohards, Petition (S.) for legislation to protect, from the ravages of the disease known as "peach yellows," 209; report (leave to withdraw), 472; accepted, 490.

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Osteopathy, Petition (S.) for legislation to authorize the practice of, 155; petitions in aid, 270, 306; report (S.) reference to the next General Court, 554; accepted, 573.

Overdue taxes. (See "Taxes.")

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Pan-American Exposition, Message (S.) from the Governor relative to the, to be held in 1901, 752; Resolve (S. reported) relative to the, 895, 917, 975, 987; passed, 1011.

Panic, protection of human life in case of. (See "Fire.")

Pardons, Message (S.) from the Governor transmitting a list of, granted during the year 1898, 40; report (no legislation necessary), 77; accepted, 84.

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Petition for legislation to make, liable for the torts of their minor children, 203; report (leave to withdraw), 555; accepted, 572.

Parishes, custody and condition of the public records of. (See "Public Records.")

- Parishes and Religious Societies**, committee on, appointed, 24; vacancy filled, 275.
- Paris, International Exposition at**, So much of the Governor's address as relates to the, 60; Resolve (S. reported) relative to the participation of the Commonwealth in the, 937, 972, 986, 995; passed, 1052.
- Park commissioners**, Bill (on leave) relative to, 119; reported, 401, 415, 440; recommitted, 464; new draft reported, 511, 545, 574; enacted, 688.
- Parks** (see "Metropolitan Park System"), Bill (on leave) to protect public, parkways and boulevards from disfigurement, 64; remonstrances, 229, 236; reported, 767, 783, 948; rejection negatived, 987; rejected, 1005.
- Passengers, transportation of.** (See "Boston, City of" — *Railroads*; "Railroad Commissioners, Board of;" "Railroad Companies;" "Steamship Companies.")
- PAY-ROLL, COMMITTEE ON:**
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- Peabody, Sutton Home for Aged Women in**, Petition for legislation to incorporate the, 339, 396; bill reported, 605, 624, 639; enacted, 696.
- Peace, justices of the.** (See "Gallup, Clarence W.;" "Marriages;" "McClellan, Arthur D.")
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- PEDDLERS:** (See "Ice;" "Itinerant Venders;" "Milk.")
- Petition for legislation relative to the sale of articles in the streets and public ways and from house to house in this Commonwealth, 132; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 554; accepted, 622.
 - Petition for legislation to grant further powers to city and town officers relative to licensing and regulating, 827, 838; referred to the next General Court, 881.
- Pembroke, town of, taking of water from Silver Lake in the.** (See "Brockton, City of.")

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Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind, Sixty-seventh annual report of the trustees of the, 31; report (S. no further legislation necessary), 554; accepted, 573.

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Bill (on leave) to regulate the business of making loans upon deposits or pledges of, 104; reported, 272; rejected, 279.

Bill (on leave) relative to contracts for the conditional sale of, 110; reported, 411; rejected, 431, 443 (yea and nay).

Bill (on leave) relative to mortgages of, 164, 363; reported, 589; rejected, 638.

Bill (on leave) relative to contracts for the conditional sale of, 202, 363; reported, 411, 424; rejected, 645.

Information concerning. (See "Insurance Companies.")

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PHARMACY:

Bill (on leave) relative to the practice of, 120; new draft reported, 375, 390, 414, 481; enacted, 663.

Bill (on leave) relative to the examination of applicants for registration in, 130; reported, 321, 686; rejected, 726.

Petition for legislation to amend the law relative to the practice of, 206; report (leave to withdraw), 509; accepted, 532.

Pharmacy, Massachusetts Board of Registration in, Thirteenth annual report of the, 31; report (no legislation necessary), 222; accepted, 233.

Phillipston, town of. (See "Royalston, Town of.")

Physiology. (See "Public Schools.")

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Pipe Line Gas Company. (See "Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas Company.")

Plymouth and Sandwich Street Railway Company, Petition for legislation to amend the charter of the, 34; bill reported, 248, 259, 268; enacted, 308.

Plymouth, county of, county tax for the. (See "County Receipts and Expenditures.")

Plymouth County Railroad Company, Petition for legislation relative to the, 208; bill reported, 400, 416, 428, 497; enacted, 531.

Plymouth Plantation, Bradford's History of the, Resolve (on leave) to provide for printing additional copies of, 104; new draft reported, 387, 412, 428, 442; passed, 716.

- Plymouth, town of, Bill (on leave) to legalize and confirm the election of a board of health in the, 577, 603; reported, 715, 738, 755; enacted, 814.
- Plympton, town of, taking of water from Silver Lake in the. (See "Brockton, City of.")
- Points of order. (See "Order, Points of.")
- Poisons. (See "Intoxicating Liquors.")
- Police courts (see "Brockton, Police Court of;" "Courts;" "Fitchburg, Police Court of;" "Haverhill, Police Court of;" "Lawrence, Police Court of;" "Lowell, Police Court of;" "Springfield, Police Court of"), Petition for legislation to increase the number of special justices in, 168; report (leave to withdraw), 579; accepted, 596.
- Police officials, Bill (on leave) relative to the taking of bail by certain, 91; reported, 411, 431; rejected, 495.
- POLITICAL COMMITTEES: (See "Secretary of the Commonwealth.")
- Petition for legislation to more clearly define the rights, duties and powers of, 146; report (leave to withdraw), 297; accepted, 308.
- Petition for legislation relative to, and caucuses of political parties, 185; bill reported, 590, 699, 761 (yea and nay), 860, 876; enacted, 886.
- Political parties (see "Caucuses;" "Political Committees"), Petition for legislation relative to, which poll at least 1,000 votes for Governor, 146; report (leave to withdraw), 409; accepted, 425.
- Polls and polling places. (See "Elections.")
- Polls, property, taxes, etc., aggregates of, as assessed May 1, 1898, 31; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 1077.
- Poll taxes, Bill (on leave) relative to the assessment of, 50; reported, 331; rejected, 347.
- Ponkapoag tribe of Indians. (See "Burr, Lemuel.")
- Poor debtor court. (See "Equitable Process;" "Execution.")
- Poultry and eggs, Bill (on leave) relative to the sale of, 181; reported, 386; rejected, 403.
- Pratt Free School, Petition (S.) for legislation to reduce the number of trustees of the, 210; bill (S.) reported, 351, 368, 378; enacted, 401.
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- Princeton, town of, Petition for legislation to provide compensation for the, for damages occasioned by the construction of the metropolitan water system, 133; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 947; accepted, 963.
- Printing, committee on, appointed, 25; instructed to investigate the printing and distribution of public documents, 75 (see "Public Documents"); granted until April 5 to report on certain matters, 553; until April 12, 672; until April 19, 744.

PRISONERS :

Construction of a canal across Cape Cod by convict labor. (See "Cape Cod.")

Bill (on leave) to provide for the discharge of, arrested for drunkenness, in certain cases, upon application, 164 ; reported, 486 ; rejected, 503.

Bill (reported on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons) relative to the removal and transfer of, 487, 504, 515 ; enacted, 663.

Resolve (reported on the annual report of the General Superintendent of Prisons) relative to reclaiming and improving waste and unused land with the labor of, from jails and houses of correction, 559, 644, 657, 698 ; passed, 843.

Prisons (see "Convicts ;" "Prisons, Commissioners of"), So much of the Governor's address as relates to, 59 ; report (S. no legislation necessary), 579 ; accepted, 597.

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Bill (reported) relative to the age of subordinate officers at the State Prison and at the Massachusetts Reformatory, 476, 493, 504 ; notice of rejection by the Senate, 588.

(For other bills and a resolve reported see "Massachusetts Reformatory ;" "Massachusetts State Prison ;" "Prisoners.")

Order directing the, to report the different salaries paid to officers employed in the county prisons, 577 ; adopted, 585, 610 ; reconsidered and withdrawn, 628.

Prisons, committee on, appointed, 25 ; authorized to travel within the Commonwealth, 46.

Prisons, General Superintendent of, Twelfth annual report of the, 216. (For bill and resolves reported see "Massachusetts Reformatory ;" "Prisoners ;" "State Farm.")

Private ways. (See "Suffolk, County of.")

PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY :

Deposit in a savings bank in the name of a judge of probate. (See "Savings Banks.")

Petition for legislation to permit one judge of, to make compensation for services of another for his convenience, 99, 107 ; Bill (on leave) relative to the duties of judges of, 130 ; bill reported, 618, 648, 658, 861, 876 ; enacted, 886.

PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY — *Concluded.*

Bill (S. on leave) to provide for the retirement of judges of probate, 744, 839; referred to the next General Court, 881.

Probate and Insolvency, committee on, appointed, 25; vacancy filled, 275; granted until March 29 to report on certain matters, 549; until April 10, 611.

Probate bonds, Petition for legislation relative to the discharge of sureties on, 150; report (leave to withdraw), 589; accepted, 608.

Probate courts (see "Middlesex, County of;" "Special Administrators;" "Supreme Judicial Court;" "Surety Companies"), Petition (S.) for legislation relative to the jurisdiction of, upon petitions of married women concerning their separate estate and maintenance and the custody and maintenance of minor children, 196; report (S. leave to withdraw), 654; accepted, 665.

Process (see "Equitable Process"), service of, in the collection of taxes. (See "Taxes.")

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Aggregate of, polls, taxes, etc., as assessed May 1, 1898. (See "Polls, Property, Taxes, etc.")

Bill (S. reported on the recommendations and suggestions of the Controller of County Accounts) to simplify the transfer of title to, 722, 737, 885, 900; rejected, 967.

Lease and sale of, in cities. (See "Cities.")

Removal and storage of certain. (See "Constables.")

Distribution and descent of. (See "Deceased Persons.")

Prorogation. (See "General Court.")

Prostitutes. (See "Intoxicating Liquors.")

Protestant Episcopal Church, Trustees of Donations to the, Petition for legislation to authorize the, to hold additional real and personal estate, 205; bill reported, 331, 347, 357; enacted, 423.

Providence and Taunton Street Railway Company, Petition (S.) for legislation to authorize the, to act as a common carrier of fuel and supplies for street railway purposes, 222, 247; bill (S.) reported, 568, 648, 666; enacted, 688.

Province Lands, Bill (on leave) making an appropriation for the reclamation of the, and the preservation of Provincetown harbor, 58. (For bill reported see "Appropriation Bills.")

Province Laws, Bill (on leave) to provide for continuing the publication of the, 104; petitions in aid, 121, 148, 218, 254, 275, 282, 338, 350, 383, 393, 419, 421, 483, 539, 643, 683; new draft reported, 675, 1077; referred to the next General Court, 1082; reconsidered, 1085, 1094; enacted, 1113.

Provincetown harbor, preservation of. (See "Province Lands.")

Prudential insurance. (See "Insurance;" "Insurance Commissioner;" "Insurance Policies.")

Public administrators. (See "Real Estate.")

Public charitable institutions, So much of the Governor's address as relates to, 59. (For bill reported see "Children.")

Public Charitable Institutions, committee on, appointed, 25; authorized to travel within the Commonwealth and to Hartford, Connecticut, 40; granted until March 29 to report on certain matters, 553; until April 5, 613.

Public debts, partial payments of. (See "Taxes.")

Public documents (see "Public Records"), Order instructing the committee on Printing to investigate the printing and the distribution of, 75; report (reference to the next General Court) accepted, 1097.

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Public health (see "Boston, City of" — *Buildings*; "Cattle Commissioners, State Board of;" "Towns"), Bill (on leave) to secure the better enforcement of the laws relative to the, 130; new draft reported, 331, 347, 357; enacted, 423.

Public Health, committee on, appointed, 25.

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PUBLIC OFFICERS: (See "Caucuses;" "Cities;" "State Officers.")

Petition for legislation to make counties, cities and towns liable for the negligence of, 203; report (reference to the next General Court), 793; accepted, 807.

Petition for legislation to impose penalties upon, who expend money in excess of appropriations, 205, 499; report (S. reference to the next General Court) accepted, 1101.

Public parks. (See "Parks.")

PUBLIC RECORDS: (See "Insurance Commissioner.")

Petition (S.) for legislation to authorize the use of typewriting machines in recording, and documents, 66; eleventh report on the custody and condition of the, of parishes, towns and counties, 97; Bill (S. reported) relative to inks for, and to making such records by means of typewriting machines, 849, 866, 887; enacted, 899.

Bill (on leave) to repeal the law relative to standard record inks for, 181; reported, 460; rejected, 513.

Eleventh report on the custody and condition of the, of parishes, towns and counties, 97; report (S. no further legislation necessary), 895; accepted, 908.

Public reservations. (See "Metropolitan Park Commissioners, Board of.")

PUBLIC SCHOOLS: (See "Vacation Schools.")

Bill (from the files) to authorize a state appropriation for the support of, 112; new draft reported, 605, 1022; referred to the next General Court, 1042.

Resolve (reported, in part, on the foregoing bill) to provide for a commission to investigate into the necessity for additional legislation relative to the method of supporting, 1022, 1038, 1046; notice of rejection by the Senate, 1096.

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Petition (S.) for legislation to amend the law requiring physiology and hygiene to be taught in the, 124; petitions in aid, 228, 253, 263, 269, 281, 289, 292, 295, 303, 305, 326, 337, 340, 349, 350, 351, 361, 362, 370, 382, 392, 393, 395, 405, 407, 408, 418, 419, 420, 421, 432, 433, 447, 457, 468, 470, 471, 482, 496, 506, 507, 521, 522, 538, 540, 541, 550, 565, 578, 586, 599, 601, 612, 661, 662, 780; report (S. leave to withdraw), 693, 753; accepted, 851.

Bill (reported on the annual report of the State Board of Education) to provide school registers and other school blanks for the towns and cities of the Commonwealth, 155, 239, 250, 259; enacted, 321.

Petition for legislation to encourage the employment of a skilled superintendent of schools in all the towns and cities of the Commonwealth sharing the income of the state school fund, 184; report (leave to withdraw), 555; accepted, 572.

Bill (on leave) relative to studies in the, 234; petitions in aid, 371; remonstrances, 349, 362, 382, 393, 395, 408, 419, 421, 432, 457, 471, 482, 507, 522, 538, 541, 612, 662, 780; reported, 616; rejected, 647.

Resolve (reported on the annual report of the State Board of Education) to provide for a state exhibit of drawing in the, 527, 695, 705, 718; passed, 814.

PUBLIC SERVICE: (See "Appropriation Bills;" "Appropriations.")

Expenditures in excess of appropriations in the. (See "Auditor of Accounts.")

Appointments in the. (See "Civil Service.")

Public Service, committee on, appointed, 25; granted until March 29 to report on certain matters, 550, 567; until April 5, 613; until April 19, 672; until April 26, 765.

Public warehousemen. (See "Depositaries.")

Public ways. (See "Streets;" "Trees.")

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Pyncheon Safe Deposit and Trust Company, Petition for legislation to extend the time within which the, may organize and begin business, 165; bill reported, 386, 404, 430, 455, 481, 494, 515, 563; enacted, 636.

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Petition for legislation to authorize the, to incur indebtedness for the construction and improvement of streets, 165; bill (S.) reported, 524, 573, 583; enacted, 606.

Petition for legislation to authorize the, to refund a part of its indebtedness, 166; bill (S.) reported, 508, 534, 574; enacted, 594.

Construction of parkways from Squantum Head in the, to the city of Boston and the Blue Hills reservation. (See "Metropolitan Park Commissioners, Board of.")

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Races and fairs, Petition for legislation relative to speeding horses and betting at, 182, 237; report (reference to the next General Court), 555; accepted, 572.

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RAILROAD COMMISSIONERS, BOARD OF:

Part I. of the thirtieth annual report of the, relating to railroad corporations, 234; report (no legislation necessary), 803; accepted, 815.

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Bill (on leave) to establish a uniform railroad fare of two cents a mile, 164; Resolve (reported) directing the, to investigate and report upon the advisability of establishing a uniform passenger rate of two cents a mile upon the railroads of the Commonwealth, 354, 368, 378; Resolve (title changed) directing the, to investigate and report upon the rates charged by railroads within the Commonwealth for the transportation of passengers, bicycles and baggage, 643, 731, 738; passed, 782.

Investigation by the, relative to relocating and widening the old bridge between the city of New Bedford and the town of Fairhaven. (See "Acushnet River.")

RAILROAD COMPANIES: (See "Boston and Albany Railroad Company;" "Boston, City of" — *Railroads*; "Employers' Liability;" "Grade Crossings;" "Milk;" "Millbury, Sutton and Douglas Railroad;" "Plymouth County Railroad Company;" "Railroad Commissioners, Board of;" "Shaw, James F., and others.")

Bill (on leave) to require, to transport bicycles as baggage, 110; reported, 793, 821, 863; referred to the next General Court, 889.

Bill (on leave) relative to the equipment of freight cars, 144; reported, 374; rejected, 389.

Bill (on leave) relative to the employment of telegraph operators by, 164; reported, 365; referred to the next General Court, 377.

Bill (on leave) to grant to all express companies reasonable and equal terms, facilities and accommodations upon railroads, 164; reported, 617; referred to the next General Court, 638.

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Petition for legislation to require railroad cars to be furnished with certain tools for the better protection of passengers against fire, 170; report (leave to withdraw), 374; accepted, 389.

Petition for legislation relative to season tickets issued by, 171; report (leave to withdraw), 353, 367, 402; accepted, 656.

Petition for legislation relative to the transportation of bicycles as baggage, 171; report (reference to the next General Court), 793, 821, 863; bill substituted (yea and nay), 887, 912 (yea and nay), 977; notice of rejection by the Senate, 1070.

Bill (on leave) relative to sleeping cars, 181; reported, 510; rejected, 562.

Bill (on leave) to require, to equip their cars with platform gates, 181; reported, 399; recommitted, 414; reported, 580, 650, 863; rejection negatived, 880, 886, 911, 918, 964; notice of rejection by the Senate, 1032.

Petition (S) for legislation to require, to transport racing rowing-shells free of charge, 212; report (S. leave to withdraw), 458; accepted, 491.

Railroads, committee on, appointed, 25; authorized to travel within the Commonwealth, 392; granted until March 31 to report on certain matters, 550; until April 5, 567; until April 12, 673; until April 21, 722; until May 5, 801; until May 12, 916; authorized to sit during the sessions of the General Court, 859.

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REAL ESTATE: (See "Metropolitan Water Board;" "Taxes")

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Petition for legislation relative to the purchase of, by associations incorporated for charitable, educational and other purposes, 111; report (leave to withdraw), 409; accepted, 425.

Petition for legislation to authorize cities and towns to receive partial payments of taxes on undivided pieces of, 135; report (leave to withdraw), 421, 439, 635, 984, 1003; accepted, 1012.

Petition for further legislation relative to suits to quiet the title to, 167; report (leave to withdraw), 905; accepted, 919, 933, 983; reconsidered and bill substituted, 1000, 1012; new draft substituted, 1029; enacted, 1071.

Petition (S.) for legislation to provide for recording liens on, 174; report (leave to withdraw), 473; accepted, 491.

Petition (S.) for legislation to facilitate the collection of taxes upon, 197; report (S. leave to withdraw), 470; accepted, 492.

Petition (S.) for legislation to amend the law for the redemption of, under foreclosure, execution or otherwise, 210; report (S. leave to withdraw), 394; accepted, 415.

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- Petition (S.) for legislation relative to the sale of, by public administrators, 221 ; report (S. leave to withdraw), 567 ; accepted, 597.
- Rights of owners of, in the matter of granting liquor licenses. (See "Intoxicating Liquors.")
- Mortgages of. (See "Corporations ;" "Guardians.")
- Of deceased persons. (See "Deceased Persons.")
- Receivers. (See "Northampton, Hampshire Savings Bank of.")
- Record, courts of. (See "Courts.")
- Record inks. (See "Public Records.")
- Records. (See "Public Records ;" "Towns.")
- Reformatory institutions. (See "Massachusetts Reformatory ;" "Suffolk, County of ;" "Women, Reformatory Prison for.")
- Reformatory Prison for Women. (See "Women, Reformatory Prison for.")
- Refrigerating materials and works. (See "Corporations ;" "Streets.")
- Regimental histories, so much of the seventh annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth as relates to. (See "State Printing.")
- Registrars of voters. (See "Voters.")
- Registration in Dentistry. (See "Dentistry, Massachusetts Board of Registration in.")
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- Registration Report. (See "Births, Marriages and Deaths ;" "Divorce.")
- Registries of deeds. (See "Deeds, Registries of.")
- Religious sects, Petition (S.) for legislation to ensure protection to, in their religious observances, 196 ; report (S. leave to withdraw), 601 ; accepted, 622.
- Renovated butter. (See "Butter.")
- Representatives (see "House of Representatives"), nomination of. (See "Caucuses.")
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State tax, Bill (reported on all matters relating to the finances of the Commonwealth) to apportion and assess a, of one million five hundred thousand dollars, 1074, 1078; enacted, 1088.

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Steel, Petition for legislation to authorize the appointment of a commission to consider the advisability of paying a bounty for the manufacture of, within the Commonwealth, 148; report (leave to withdraw), 238; accepted, 249.

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Petition for legislation relative to fares on street railways, 122; report (leave to withdraw), 473; accepted, 491.

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Bill (on leave) to authorize, to carry mail and express matter, 144; reported, 556, 628; rejected, 840.

Petition for legislation to require, to enclose the platforms of their cars during certain months of the year, 151; report (leave to withdraw), 569, 595, 703; bill substituted, 748, 771; new draft substituted, 819; notice of reference to the next General Court by the Senate, 970.

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Bill (S. on leave) to authorize, to act as common carriers of freight, coal and supplies for street railway purposes, 193; notice of rejection by the Senate, 714.

Bill (on leave) relative to the rate of excise to be assessed upon and the revocation of locations of, 202; reported, 542, 628, 642; rejection negatived, 649, 737, 747, 784; rejected, 831.

Petition (S.) for legislation to authorize, to purchase private property for the purpose of straightening their roadbeds, 212; report (S. leave to withdraw), 579; accepted, 623.

Petition (S.) for legislation to incorporate R. H. Hinkley, Jr., and his associates as a street railway company, 230; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 791; accepted, 807.

Bill (on leave) relative to the injury or destruction of street railway signals, 326, 341; reported, 571, 598, 609; enacted, 688.

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Petition (S.) for legislation to increase the salaries of certain stenographers in the Superior Court for the, 155; report (S. leave to withdraw), 540; accepted, 562.

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Petition (S.) for legislation to provide for the establishment of a new house of correction on one of the islands in Boston harbor, 211; Bill (reported) relative to the house of correction in the, 558, 624 649; enacted, 886.

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Bill (on leave) relative to the appointment of medical experts as witnesses in the, 130; reported, 365, 387; referred to the next General Court, 703.

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Bill (on leave) to provide for the retirement of justices of the, and of the Superior Court, 163; reported, 375, 422, 442, 455, 723, 784; enacted, 806.

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Petition for legislation relative to notices of petitions to the, for the construction of wills, 186; bill reported, 812, 830, 844; enacted, 962.

Petition for legislation to regulate procedure in taxation of costs in cases and expenses appealed from probate courts to the, 600, 632; report (leave to withdraw), 905; accepted, 919.

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Swan Dale Cemetery Association, Petition for legislation to incorporate the, 894, 961; bill (S.) reported, 1056, 1067; enacted, 1078.

Swansea, town of, Petition for legislation to protect the growth and cultivation of clams on the shores and flats of the, 469, 633; referred to the next General Court, 648.

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Taunton Great River, Petition (S.) for legislation relative to the operating of the draw in the bridge across, between the city of Fall River and the town of Somerset, 212; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 601; accepted, 638.

Taunton Lunatic Hospital, Forty-fifth annual report of the trustees of the, 31; report (S. no legislation necessary), 601; accepted, 622.

Taunton Safe Deposit and Trust Company, Petition for legislation to extend the time for the organization of the, 182; bill reported, 374, 390, 404; enacted, 488.

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Petition for legislation to prevent the double, of owners of merchandise held as security for debts, 82; report (leave to withdraw), 437; accepted, 453.

Petition for legislation relative to the, of certain property of educational institutions, 93; petitions in aid, 135, 351; report (leave to withdraw), 422; accepted, 441.

Bill (on leave) relative to the exemption of the property of soldiers and sailors and their wives or widows from, 130; reported, 331, 345; rejected, 851.

Petition (S.) for legislation to lessen the burden of, upon certain soldiers and sailors and the wives and widows of such soldiers and sailors, 138; petition in aid, 175, 230; report (leave to withdraw), 330; accepted, 346.

Bill (on leave) to exempt newspaper plants from, 144; reported, 343; rejected, 356.

Petition for legislation relative to the, of foreign corporations having a usual place of business in this Commonwealth, 151; report (reference to the next General Court), 486, 561, 898, 935; accepted, 939.

Petition for legislation to limit to state taxes the exemption of the properties of literary and scientific institutions, 151; report (leave to withdraw), 421; accepted, 441.

Bill (from the files) imposing a tax on legacies and successions and certain other transfers and providing for the distribution of the proceeds of the same, 153; reported, 437, 456, 982, 995 (yea and nay), 1009, 1025, 1046 (yea and nay), 1053; notice of rejection by the Senate, 1096.

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Bill (on leave) to impose a tax on legacies, successions and certain other transfers and to provide for the distribution of the proceeds of the same, 181; reported, 438, 454, 478, 516, 694, 726, 798, 846, 853, 869 (yea and nay); notice of rejection by the Senate, 970.

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Bill (S. from the files) relative to the service of process in the collection of, 60; new draft reported, 875, 891, 908, 1007, 1028; enacted, 1062.

Bill (on leave) relative to the collection of, 82; remonstrance, 304; reported, 365; rejected, 377.

Bill (S. on leave) relative to the distribution of the street railway, of 1898, 123; new draft (S.) reported, 283, 300, 309; enacted, 333.

Bill (on leave) relative to interest on overdue, 181; reported, 365; rejected, 377.

Bill (on leave) relative to the rate of interest on, 202; reported, 365, 388; rejection negatived, 445; new draft substituted, 456, 466; notice of rejection by the Senate, 587.

Petition for legislation to authorize cities and towns to receive partial payments of, on undivided pieces of real estate, 93; Bill (reported) to provide for partial payments of, and public debts, 438, 454, 582; Bill (substituted) to provide for part payment of, and of certain claims against cities and towns, 610, 693, 761; committee of conference (S.), 792; report accepted, 1006; bill enacted, 1123.

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Telegraph and telephone lines, Order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to investigate the question of the ownership and control by the Commonwealth of, 161, 178; amended (striking out the words "a joint special committee be appointed to," and inserting in place thereof the words "the committee on Mercantile Affairs") and adopted, 232; report (asking for further instructions), 723; committee discharged, 789.

Telegraph companies, Bill (on leave) relative to charges and service of companies engaged in telegraph business in this Commonwealth, 91; reported, 617; rejected, 665.

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Bill (on leave) relative to charges and service of companies engaged in telephone business in this Commonwealth, 64; reported, 604, 621; rejection negatived, 670, 689, 739 (yea and nay), 754; rejected (yea and nay), 816.

Petition for legislation to regulate charges for telephone service, 186; report (leave to withdraw), 603, 677, 840; accepted, 853.

Textile schools (see "Fall River, City of;" "Lowell Textile School"), Petition for legislation to authorize an appropriation for a textile school in the city of Fall River, 120; Bill (reported) relative to the establishment of, 559, 618, 657, 666: enacted, 782.

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Petition (S.) for legislation relative to the width of, 212; report (S. leave to withdraw), 554; accepted, 622.

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Topographical Survey and Map of Massachusetts, Commissioners on the (see "Rhode Island, State of"), Annual report of the, 303; report (no legislation necessary) accepted, 1097.

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Bill (on leave) to authorize, to print their records, 144; reported, 354, 368, 378, 449, 465; enacted, 501.

Bill (S. on leave) relative to the public health in, 153; reported (S.), 458, 480, 494; enacted, 512.

Bill (on leave) to change the time for town meetings to November and December, 164; reported, 386; rejected, 403.

Petition for legislation relative to the supervision of wires in, 189; petition for legislation relative to the regulation and supervision of wires over streets or buildings in cities, 204, 449; Bill (S. reported) relative to the regulation and supervision of wires over streets and buildings in, 780, 797, 833; enacted, 875.

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Petition (S.) for legislation to relieve certain small, from the support of inmates of certain state institutions, 196; bill (S.) reported, 394, 413, 428, 443; enacted, 463.

Petition for legislation to authorize, to appropriate money for free public lectures, 207; bill reported, 386, 404, 416; notice of rejection by the Senate, 587.

Petition for legislation to provide for the removal of snow and ice from sidewalks in, at public expense, 295; referred to the next General Court, 318.

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Petition for legislation to protect the owners of cans, bottles, boxes, siphons and fountains, 147; report (S. reference to the next General Court), 810; accepted, 830.

Petition for legislation to further protect manufacturers from the use of counterfeit labels and stamps, 148. [Bill reported in the Senate and rejected.]

Bill (S. reported on the annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth) relative to the registration and protection of, labels, stamps and forms of advertisements, 828, 865, 879; enacted, 933.

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Petition for legislation to authorize the, to adjust by compromise questions arising in relation to the taxation of collateral legacies and successions, 151; report (leave to withdraw), 385; accepted, 402.

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Bill (on leave) relative to safe deposit, loan and, 64; reported, 198, 215, 241, 251, 259; notice of rejection by the Senate, 296.

Bill (S. on leave) to authorize, to act as executors and in other fiduciary capacities, 153; new draft (S.) reported, 802, 830, 879; enacted, 899.

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Bill (on leave) relative to safe deposit and, 242; referred to the next General Court, 264.

- Trustee process**, Petition for legislation relative to attachment of wages for personal labor and services, 99; Bill (reported) relative to the, 476, 514, 534; notice of rejection by the Senate, 850.
- Trustees** (see "Taxation"), Petition (S.) for legislation to amend the law authorizing, and guardians to make sale of the personal property in their hands for the purpose of changing investments, 66; bill (S.) reported, 172, 199, 215, 226; recommitted, 232; Bill (reported) to authorize the sale by, of personal property in certain cases, 500, 514, 546; notice of rejection by the Senate, 655.
- Tubercular patients.** (See "Consumptives and Tubercular Patients, Massachusetts Hospital for.")
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- Unauthorized structures**, Petition (S) for legislation to restrain the placing, maintenance or use of, and to compel the removal thereof, 175; Bill (S. reported) relative to, in a city or town, 766, 807, 816; enacted, 842.
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- Resolutions relative to mail contracts on stage routes**, 103; reported, 474; rejected, 492.
- Resolutions (S.) relative to the election of, senators**, 136; notice of rejection by the Senate, 850.
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- Wareham, town of (see "Onset Fire District"), Petition (S.) for legislation to authorize the, to take a certain parcel of land for a public park, 212; bill (S.) reported, 587, 639, 718; enacted, 782.
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- Wayland, town of, Petition for legislation to authorize the, to refund its indebtedness, 33; bill reported, 101, 108, 116; enacted, 214.
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- Ways and Means, committee on, appointed, 21; authorized to report appropriation bills (see "Appropriation Bills") and to employ clerical assistance, 28; authorized to travel within the Commonwealth, 91; authorized to sit during the sessions of the House, 682.
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Wellesley, town of, Petition for legislation to authorize the, to issue notes, bonds or scrip for the purpose of meeting the expense of purchasing land and establishing a public park or parks, 483, 524; bill reported, 663, 678, 690; enacted, 770.

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West Sutton Cemetery Association, Petition for legislation to incorporate the, 752, 781; bill reported, 897, 908; new draft substituted, 934; enacted, 1023.

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Resolve (on leave) relative to a high-level sewer connecting the, with the metropolitan sewerage system, 130, 191; reported, 605; referred to the next General Court, 623.

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Petition for legislation relative to the alteration of Belmont and Shrewsbury streets over land of the Commonwealth in the, 145; bill reported, 399, 416, 428; enacted, 502.

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Petition (S.) for legislation to authorize the, to make an additional water loan, 884, 896; bill (S.) reported, 992, 1011; enacted, 1011.

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Worcester Lunatic Hospital, Sixty-sixth annual report of the trustees of the, and twenty-first annual report of the trustees of the Worcester Insane Asylum at Worcester, 31; report (S. no further legislation necessary), 554; accepted, 573.

Worcester Natural History Society, Petition (S.) for legislation to limit the active membership of the, and to provide for an associate membership, 221; Bill (S. reported) relative to the membership of the, 497, 514, 536; enacted, 571.

Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Petition (S.) for legislation to reimburse the, for certain expenses incurred in maintaining free scholarships, 154; Bill (S. reported) relative to certain payments to be made to the, 394, 412, 427, 442; enacted, 464.

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Woronoco Street Railway Company, Petition for legislation to authorize the, to manufacture for sale and to sell and furnish to the inhabitants of the town of Westfield electricity for power, 243, 271; report (leave to withdraw), 542; accepted, 561.

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- On the motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester that the House resolve itself into a committee of the whole to consider if it be fitting and wise to give expression to an opinion upon the proposed departure of the United States from the tradition of the Republic by the assumption of sovereignty of a distant land in disregard of the will of the people thereof, 222-225.
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- On rejecting the House Bill relative to the superintendent of streets in the city of Taunton, 358-360.
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- On ordering to a third reading the House Bill relative to equitable process after judgment in certain cases, 1001-1003.
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- On amendments moved by Mr. Minton of Boston to the Senate Bill relative to the laying out and construction of highways in the city of Boston, 1026-1028.
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